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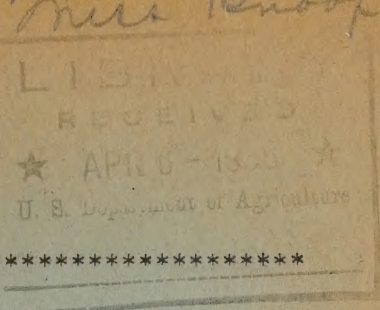




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AGRICULTURE EXCHANGE

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NATIONAL SYMPHONY

EDITORIAL LECTURE

The National Symphony Orchestra reports that more than \$50,000 was raised in an intensive 10-day campaign to obtain the necessary fund of \$100,000 to sustain next year's season.

It is also noted that more than 200 persons prominent in Washington civic and social life participated in the drive.

The last Thursday concert of the National Symphony was concluded on March 26 in Constitution Hall. The group will make its last appearance of the current season on Sunday, April 5. A request program will be observed at that time, to be selected entirely from the results of ballots cast by Symphony patrons.

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HEIGHT OF EXPECTATION!

During the recent flood scare there was at least one relative incident that took on a humorous aspect. We are still wondering whether or not the principal character of the story was one who was used to such happenings, or whether this was her first experience of that nature. However, she (yes, it's a woman) was taking no chances at any rate, for there she was, bound for work in a crowded street car, neatly dressed and wearing the snappiest little pair of hip-boots that you ever saw.

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WANT TO SAVE ON GAS AND OIL?

Members of the A.R.A. consumers club can save 2¢ per gallon on standard grades of gasoline, and as high as 5¢ a quart on oil. These supplies may be purchased at any of the four affiliated service stations. These are only one part of the hundreds of items on which savings can be made. Through the A.R.A. you can purchase life membership in this service for a fee of \$3.00. A complete list of A.R.A. members who handle memberships will be found at the foot of the main article in the next issue.

An illustrated lecture on "Measuring Format and Style of Agricultural College Bulletins" will be given in the Auditorium of the South Building, Wednesday, April 1, at 3:00 p. m., by Dr. M. C. Merrill, Chief of Publications of the Department. The subject of the lecture is a thesis by Wilford D. Porter, for his Master's degree at the University of Wisconsin. Any one directly or officially interested in the subject is invited to attend.

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N.F.G.E.

GRATEFUL FOR THE NEW LEAVE BILLS?

SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION AND DO YOUR PART BY JOINING ONE OF THE TWO EMPLOYEE UNIONS WHICH WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS LEGISLATION.

The two organizations are the National Federation of Federal Employees, 10 Independence Avenue, and the American Federation of Government Employees, 900 F Street, N.W. Just send in your name, Government address, and pin a \$1.00 bill to the letter.

The dues are \$5.00 a year, or 1.4 cents a day. Don't you think you can afford this small sum?

The Agriculture Branch, National Federation of Federal Employees, has elected the following to serve as officers for the coming year:

President -

Herbert A. Smith, Forest Service

1st Vice President -

Frank Lombard, Forest Service

2nd Vice President -

John Gray, Sec'y Personnel Office

3rd Vice President -

Joel J. Winkjer, Dairy Industry

Secretary -

Miss Mary O'Donnell, Agricultural Economics



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Room 104, Administration Building.

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must be signed and it is understood that  
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or condense articles.

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This being the first anniversary of  
the EXCHANGE, it is proper to announce  
a few changes. Hereafter, the absolute  
deadline on material submitted will be  
Wednesday instead of Thursday. One  
reason for the paper coming out late  
has been that contributions straggle  
in anytime up to Friday night or  
Saturday. Leaders of activities should  
cooperate by sending in stories and  
news of interest as far in advance as  
possible.

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#### EMPLOYEE ACTIVITIES

At the time of going to press, word  
comes from the Office of Personnel that  
publication of the much heralded book-  
let, to be called "Employee Activities",  
will begin Monday.

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#### KLEIN TAKES LEAD

Joe Klein, A.A.A. Personnel, has been  
given the male lead in the musical com-  
edy, "Davy", to be produced by the George  
Washington University Fiesta Committee.  
Joe, who sings and dances a la Fred  
Astaire, has played in productions of  
the Community Center, Agriculture Play-  
ers, and just filled a leading role in  
the play given by the Cue and Curtain  
Club of the University.

#### LEGION NOTES

Legion Post No. 36 held their regu-  
lar meeting last week in Moose Hall,  
1414 Eye Street, N.W. The plans for  
the first annual ball being sponsored  
by that group in the Washington Hotel  
on April 15 are reported to be materi-  
alizing in great shape.

The Post will sponsor a "Milk Fund"  
for the benefit of needy families who  
lack the proper amount of nutritive  
foods.

A collection was also taken for re-  
lief of recent flood victims, and it  
was mentioned that Commander Koehl is  
maintaining contact with victim  
veterans.

The next meeting is slated for Fri-  
day, April 3, in Moose Hall.

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#### HOUSING PROBLEMS

Did you know that if you are inter-  
ested in locating a suitable room,  
apartment, or house, there is a service  
within the Department that will endeavor  
to find a place that is to your satis-  
faction? For further particulars see  
Mrs. Winfree, Welfare worker, Room 1897  
South Building.

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#### CREDIT UNION BY-LAWS

Copies of the by-laws of the Agri-  
cultural Employees Credit Union are  
available, and may be had upon appli-  
cation to the Treasurer's Office,  
2871 South Building, Branch 2213.

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At a recent meeting of the executive  
council of the A.R.A. it was decided to  
send a contribution to the local Red  
Cross Chapter to be used for flood re-  
lief.

Our check was small, but we want to  
do our part in aiding this cause.

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We have hardly ever seen the day  
that Joseph Haley, Chief Clerk of the  
Department, went home at dismissal time.



## STREET SCENE

One afternoon last week your reporter was walking along G Street near the General Accounting Office and decided to cut through a nearby park to save steps.

About half way through I noticed nothing unusual about a flock of pigeons feeding on several pieces of bread that had been scattered there by some kind person. As I was about to cast my glance in another direction, one old bird cockily pecked at a slice that had its center punctured into a perfect circle of nothingness by hungry beaks. Evidently not satisfied with his peckings, he shifted his position and perched on the outer crust. This was not to last for long, for he had no sooner obtained this position when, much to his astonishment (and mine), with the sweetest of "hoop action" it swept over his head and caused him to fly clumsily to a ledge on the old Pension Office building, where he probably is still trying to figure a way to lose his newly acquired and unwanted crown.

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The University of Minnesota Alumni Association of Washington, held its annual dinner at the LaFayette on Thursday, March 26. The dinner was well attended, and movies of the Minnesota football team, national champions for the last two years, were shown.

Johnny McGovern, Minnesota's first all-American selection, was reelected President; Dr. Arthur Peterson, Senior Agricultural Economist, Vice President; and Mr. Saxbog, attorney, Secretary. There are about 350 Minnesota alumni in Washington, with more members in the Department of Agriculture than in any other Government organization.

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## STAMPS AND HORSESHOES

An organization meeting will be called for each of the activities mentioned very soon. Meanwhile, all interested employees should send in their names to the Activities Editor, Room 104, Administration Building.

## BEAUTY CONTEST APRIL 18!

The Welfare Association scores again, this time with a dance and bingo party on Saturday, April 18, with the main feature listed as a beauty contest. According to Viola S. Schantz (BBS), chairman, the contest will be open to three groups: 18-25; 25-35; and 35 and over. Prizes will be awarded to each winner with a grand prize to Miss Agriculture. Entrants should send in their names, Bureau, addresses, and age to the chairman, in WRITING, not by phone. The decision will be awarded by judges and on the basis of applause received. (So buy tickets for all your relatives, girls.) Contestants should wear evening dress only.

Other features will include fortune telling, refreshments, dancing and bingo.

There will be palm and tea leave readings. Albert M. Day will be in charge of dancing, while Miss Gertrude Rest (SEC) will run the refreshment booth. Prizes for the bingo table will include various groceries, cigarettes, and candies.

Mrs. Margaret B. Leonard (BBS) will be ticket chairman. Tickets are but 25 cents and may be bought from any of the following:

Carol Piper (AAA), Miss Supiot (AAA), G. W. Morrison (BAE), Mary Slayton (BAEng), Edith G. Pipes (BAI), Margaret Leonard (BBS), Edith C. Whitney (C&S), Margaret E. Graff (BDI), Charles S. Menagh (E&PQ), Daisy K. Murphy (Ex.Sta.), Christopher Tenley (Ext.), Mary D. Moore (F&D), Mabel G. Hunt (Info.), Harry Irion (FS), Viola S. Schantz (Nat. Mus.), Ruby M. Wilson (Lib.), G. D. Potterton (BPR), John G. Strobel (WB), Gertrude Rest (Sec.), Margaret D. Green (Pl. Qu.), Carrie M. Davis (F&D), W. E. Taylor (Plant Ind.), C. W. Collier (SCS), and Mrs. M. Snyder (BHE).

Remember the date: Saturday, April 18, 8:30 sharp, in the Administration Building patio.

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Why not do your part to aid the flood victims? Monetary contributions and donations of used clothing will be taken by Miss Gertrude Rest in Room 104 Administration Building.



## RIDING CLUB

Ruby Stehr, Information Clerk, has been working hard to form the Riding Club under the A.R.A., and last evening she had a meeting which was attended by about 30 Department employees. To date, 34 members have paid their dues to the A.R.A. and Mrs. Stehr just informed me that the club will ride on Thursdays at 5:30 at the Yorkshire Stables, 2521 H Street, N.W. On Sundays the club will ride at the Indian Springs Stables, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The Maryland stable, where the club will ride on Sundays, is located at Four Corners, Maryland, out through Silver Springs, past the Indian Springs Country Club, called the Indian Springs Riding Club - Mr. R. M. Curran in charge.

If those club members who are inexperienced and have never ridden before will submit their names to Mrs. Stehr, she will try to arrange for them to go out by themselves until they have gained some necessary instruction and experience.

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## CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club announces that the next event open to all chess players, whether experienced or novices, is a team match between the old-line Bureaus and the newer agencies. A cordial invitation is extended to all chess players, whether or not members of the club, to participate. No expense is involved. Entries should be filed with A. Sturges, Chess Director, Room 3938 South Building. Please give name, branch of Department, and approximate degree of chess experience. The match is planned for a Thursday evening about the middle of April, date and details to be announced later.

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## SWIMMING CLUB

If you are interested in joining the Swimming Club, meeting at the Ambassador Hotel, please get in touch with Miss Elsie Romero, Room 3531 South Building, or Ext. 2259.

## AMUSING LETTERS

Dear Sir:

Please send me literature of the value and how to cook on vegetables and fruits of all common food.

Would like to find out what effect eggs and grape juice have at building up nice rose cheeks.

Dear Sir:

Let me know if there is any possible way for my obtaining a few rats, or guinea pigs, etc. that have been experimented on to almost the point of exhaustion and are of little more service to as they are - in such a state, they might be of great service to me - and possibly to others. If convenient please let me have list of the free literature, also of that which can be bought and paid for.

Please accept thanks, and oblige.

Dear Sir:

Please tell me what was done with the dirt dug from the Philippine Islands.

Dear Sir:

Can you tell me where I can get a Bull Leghorns Rooster at and How do you make mothers out of roosters and what age do they have to be many thanks if you can tell me and where I can get a rooster and what price please let me know at once for I am in need of one.

Could I get eggs and what price will I have to pay.

Dear Sirs:

Please send me a Pamphlet on the extermination of rats. I would also be glad to have a Pamphlet on the use of poison for chickens to get rid of hawks and thieves.

I would also like to have something to use on the eggs; but want something that would make a chicken thief very sick but not kill him.

Dear Sir:

Please send me a bulletin for BEER receipts.



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KLEIN TO SING AT WELFARE DANCE  
CARTOONING AND DANCE EXHIBITION  
OTHER ACTS FOR PARTY APRIL 18

Guests of the Welfare Association spring dance in the patio of the Administration building on the night of the 18th will hear the golden voice of Joseph Klein (AAA), who will entertain with some of the tunes he is slated to sing in the George Washington University musical comedy, "Davy". This is the second public appearance Mr. Klein will make in Washington.

Other acts include a cartooning stunt by Joseph D. Cooper, and an exhibition by the dance division of the A.R.A., John Mansuy (BEPQ), leader and instructor.

There will be several fortune tellers. Refreshments will be in charge of Miss Gertrude Rest, while Archie C. Edwards will be dance chairman. Mr. and Mrs. Winfree and George Banks will officiate at the bingo table. Candies, cigarettes, and various groceries will be given as bingo prizes. A fine orchestra has been engaged and a good time is promised everyone.

Viola S. Schantz announces that the beauty contest has been discontinued for lack of adequate facilities.

Mrs. Margaret B. Leonard (BBS) is in charge of ticket sales and is assisted by the following committee, from whom tickets may be obtained at 25¢ each:

Carol Piper (AAA), Miss Supiot (AAA), G. W. Morrison (BAE), Mary Slayton (BAEng), Edith G. Pipes (BAI), Margaret Leonard (BBS), Edith C. Whitney (C&S), Margaret E. Graff (BDI), Charles S. Menagh (E&PQ), Daisy K. Murphy (Ex.Sta.), Christopher Tenley (Ext.), Mary D. Moore (F&D), Mabel G. Hunt (Info.), Harry Irion (FS), Viola S. Schantz (Nat.Mus.), Ruby M. Wilson (Lib.), G. D. Potterton (BPR), John G. Strobel (WB), Gertrude Rest (Sec.), Margaret D. Green (Pl.Qu.), Carrie M. Davis (F&D), W. E. Taylor (Plant Ind.), C. W. Collier (SCS), and Mrs. M. Snyder (BHE).

TIMELY OBSERVATION

Harry Kabat (Sec) in the Prince  
George's (Md.) Post

THOSE BLOOMING CHERRY BLOSSOMS:

Once more the cherry blossoms bloom in  
pink,  
As thousands flock from far and near  
to view;  
From early morn until the sun does  
sink,  
The tourists drive around to see  
their hue.

A wond'rous sight which one should never  
miss -  
These lovely petaled flowers from  
Nippon land;  
They seem to fill your heart with soul-  
ful bliss,  
And gently nod their welcome to the  
strand.

Their bloom is short - they do not last  
a wink,  
As strong winds blow their frail forms  
to the ground;  
(Once more the cherry blossoms bloom in  
pink -  
But YOU can drive my relatives  
around!)

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A.R.A. PLANS DANCE

At a meeting of the A.R.A. dance committee, John Mansuy, chairman, announced that plans for the Departmental ball to be held in a fine local hotel are getting under way. The affair is slated for the 16th of May, the day after pay day and on a Saturday. Judging by the successful dance held last winter, this should be a tremendous success.

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Gain that youthful look for 25¢ by  
joining the A.R.A. and participating  
in its activities.



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CHORUS PRESENTS CANTATA

The immemorial dignity of Good Friday was solemnized last Friday afternoon in the Federal Auditorium, when the Department of Agriculture Chorus made its most brilliant of performances in the presentation of the "Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore DuBois.

Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo delivered a short address on the Crucifixion of Christ, finishing by presenting "these golden glowed voices" to portray in song this dramatic and sacred occasion.

Mr. Robert Frederick Freund, Director of the Chorus, sang the Fourth Word, "God, My Father, why hast Thou forsaken me", during which time the auditorium was almost totally darkened, and Mr. Freund's voice and ability to use it effected a most reverend and colorful impression.

The Chorus was accompanied by two pianos, Edna Lee Freund and Victor H. Neal, accompanists.

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Several articles at Federal Auditorium after agricultural Chorus Concert last Friday. Owners call at Room 0646 South building.

U.S.D.A. POST 36  
AMERICAN LEGION

Don't forget the gala dance to be held this Wednesday, April 15, at the Washington Hotel. Johnnie Slaughter and his boys will provide the music.

A regular meeting of the Post will be held in Moose Hall, 1414 Eye Street, N.W., on April 18, at 8:30 p. m.

A junior unit composed of daughters under 18 years of age is now being organized. We enlist your assistance in soliciting eligible members.

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COLORED EMPLOYEES DANCE

Colored employees of the Agriculture Group will entertain their friends at a spring dance, under the auspices of the Department Welfare Association, to be given on Saturday evening, April 25, in the patio of the Administration building. The famous Blue Bird Orchestra has been engaged to furnish music. Refreshments for the occasion will be furnished by the Cafeteria and Welfare Store. Tickets for the dance will be sold for 25¢ each, and may be obtained from any member of the arrangements committee, which is headed by Mrs. Esta Pillars, president of the Association of Colored Employees of the Agriculture Group. Miss Gertrude Rest, Secretary's Office, and Mrs. Margaret B. Leonard, Bureau of Biological Survey, are the Welfare Association sponsors of the affair.

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HOUSING

Have you received your copy of the housing questionnaire? Your opinion and answers will be of indispensable value in the conduction of this survey and if you have not already received a copy, you may obtain one from Frederic C. Howe, special adviser, Office of the Secretary, Room 208, Administration building. Answers to the questionnaire are not binding and can be withdrawn at any time.



## RIDING CLUB

Mrs. Roby Stehr reports that the Riding Club has eclipsed all expectations in activities, membership, and organization. It is planned to classify the members into groups according to the riding skill of the individual, and with the advent of sunny weather, even the surprising success of previous rides during the recent spell of uncertain weather conditions is hoped to be surpassed. For information regarding membership in the club, please contact Mrs. Stehr at the information desk in the lobby of the Administration building.

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## BRIDGE

### Agriculture Duplicate Bridge Club

Results of April 8 games are:

N & S - Mrs. T. F. Lee and  
Mr. G. Warthen  
Dr. F. C. Blanck and  
Mr. R. S. Hollingshead  
E & W - Mrs. J. Hodgkins and  
Mrs. Hackett

Next game is scheduled for April 28 at 8 p. m., at 2400-16th Street, N.W. Come and bring a partner.

### A.R.A. Bridge Club

A Duplicate Game will be held on Saturday, April 18, at 1603 K Street, N. W. Come and bring a partner.

Approximately fifty are taking advantage of the A.R.A. Bridge Club's instruction classes in Contract.

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## TENNIS TROPHY

The second prize tennis trophy, won by the Department's Tennis Team in 1934, has just been placed in the trophy cabinet at the east end of the entrance lobby of the Administration building. The trophy consists of a small mahogany plaque as the background of a full bronze figure of a tennis player in action. On the plaque above the figure are the words, "Departmental Tennis League, Agriculture, 1934".

## DEPARTMENT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA SCHEDULES CONCERT FOR APRIL 22

Our orchestra will give its next concert on Wednesday, April 22, at 8:30 p. m. in the Auditorium (South building). Originally the outstanding feature of the program was to be the "Surprise" Symphony by Joseph Haydn, but so many requests have been received for a repetition of Dvorak's New World Symphony, which was played about a year ago by the orchestra, that it has been decided to include it in this program. Other numbers of the program are the Herod Overture by Hadley, the Sigfried Idyll by Wagner, and Norwegian Rhapsody No. 1 by Swendsen.

Dr. Walter Bauer will conduct the orchestra, consisting of approximately 65 units, which, on account of its frequent and highly satisfactory performances in the Department Auditorium and the Sylvan Theatre, has been recognized by the Washington daily press and the Musical Courier of New York to be the outstanding amateur orchestra of the capital.

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## A.F.G.E. MERGER

Three A.F.G.E. Lodges are holding a joint meeting on Thursday, April 16, at 8:00 p. m. in Room 2050 South building. This joint meeting is for the purpose of merging Lodges 121 and 170 with Lodge 31. A new constitution will be adopted and officers will be elected for the coming year. All members and other interested people are urged to attend.

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## STAMP CLUB MEETING

An organization meeting of the Stamp Club has been called for April 20 in Room 4550, South building, at 4:45 sharp. The original meeting was postponed because of late appearance of the Exchange. Mrs. Anelia Boberg will act as temporary chairman.



## BASEBALL

### Call for Candidates!

Tryouts for the Agriculture Department-Government League baseball team will be started on Wednesday, April 15 at 4:45. All candidates are to report at that time in the dressing rooms of the Department's Hothouse at 14th and Constitution Avenue.

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## SOFTBALL

### Varsity Practice

Manager Jack Caspar is pleased with the Aggies' softball material. Practice is being held each Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday on softball diamond No. 10. "Bullet" Abe Rosenfield is getting into trim for the opening game on April 20.

### Aggiettes

All candidates for the Agriculture Girls' Team are requested to send their names, bureau, and branch number to Charlotte Reidel, AAA, Old Post Office Building. Coach Jimmy Hitchens starts practice on April 22.

### Intra-Departmental Leagues

More players and teams are wanted for the Girls' Softball League. Here's your opportunity to organize or join a team. All interested should contact Miss Reidel, AAA, Old Post Office Bldg.

At last week's meetings plans for Early and Late Day Softball Leagues were completed. Eighteen teams form the Late loop, while eight compose the Early one. A Night League will be formed in the near future, which with the other two will supply play opportunity to nearly 500 employees.

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## GOLF

Meeting will be held in Room 4552, South building, on Thursday, April 16, at 4:45. All interested are urged to attend.

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## TENNIS

Women tennis players take notice! There will be a meeting of the Women's Tennis League on Monday, April 20, at 4:40 in Room 2050 South building. Those interested in competitive play and those interested in learning to play are invited to attend. The officers for the coming year will be elected. A nominating committee has been appointed to select the officers for the League; names may also be submitted from the floor, and the election will be by vote of the members present.

For further information get in touch with Sally Miller, 218-E Administration building, Branch 2316.

## BOWLING

The Ladies Federal League has three weeks more to roll. The standing now is: Agriculture #2, captained by Mayne Fleharty, in first place after winning three games from Internal Revenue last night; Agriculture #1, captained by May Perry, second place, five games behind the #2 team. A.A.A. is holding seventh place and Resettlement the cellar position.

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Bituminous Laboratory is leading the closely-contested bowling league of the Junior Research Engineers of the Division of Tests, Bureau of Public Roads.

Standings are:

	Won	Lost
Bituminous Laboratory	13	11
Concrete Laboratory	12	12
Subgrade Laboratory	11	13
High team game - Subgrade	517	
High team match - Subgrade	1419	
High individual game- J.T.O'Brien		
(Sub.)	130	

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## ANNUAL FIELD DAY

Plans for A.R.A.'s second Field Day are well under way. President Pryor's Program Committee promises a very unusual schedule which will even surpass last year's outing at Marshall Hall. Games, dancing, entertainment, and (of course) food are only a few of the attractions. More details in the future!



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## GRADUATE SCHOOL, U.S.D.A.

### LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:50 to 5:50. Fee \$6.00. From April 22 through June 17. This course is especially designed for persons interested in garden design and planting of lawns; garden accessories including steps, arbors, pergolas, terraces, seats; water gardens, their location, development and planting; rockeries; the use of plant material in landscape design; the use of trees, shrubs, perennials, vines and herbaceous plants.

The lectures are delivered by outstanding authorities in Washington. Many of the class periods are demonstrated by slides. Personal problems of the students are also discussed. Register in Room 4090, South Building.

### ELEMENTS OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Every Friday in the Auditorium, South Building. Fee \$5.00. This course covers the same ground as the highly popular course given last spring, but all the topics will be taken by new speakers. Credit courses can be arranged. Register in Room 4090, South Building.

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### A VACATION ABROAD

A low rate cooperative tour abroad is being planned for a party to consist of 20 employees and friends, providing sufficient interest is shown.

A reliable organization conducting special European study tours will sponsor details.

The super liner Bremen will be used, sailing from New York July 23 and returning August 18. The quotation price is set at \$298 a person, and will include all expenses excepting service tips. Registrations must be made as soon as possible. Further information can be obtained by dropping a note to the Activities Editor, Room 104, Administration Building.

## HOUSING PROBLEMS

The Exchange will continue its policy of supplying information regarding any housing problems that come to its attention. This is in cooperation with Mrs. Winfree, Departmental Welfare Worker.

The location or complete information will not be published in the issues of the Exchange. However, if you are looking for suitable housing conditions, or have any for sale or rent that may be desirable to any Department employee, please file them with Mrs. Winfree, in care of the Exchange, and satisfactory results will be obtained.

Also, a special miscellaneous Exchange Bureau will be conducted, whereby any useful articles that have been slightly used and may be of use to some other party can be purchased at a fraction of the original cost.

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### NOTICE!

News has repeatedly been late in reaching the Exchange, resulting in tardy issues when the distribution point is reached. Regular circulation is an essential factor in the success and stimulation of readers' interest in the Exchange. Hereafter, any material or news items not reaching the Exchange box in Room 104 Administration Building, by Wednesday night will not be published in the current issue. The staff will greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter, and would also like to receive more amusing poems and interesting anecdotes that have been composed or encountered by Agriculture employees.

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### FLASH!

Secretary's Files softball group swanned the Bureau of Public Roads team with a 5-run rally in the sixth inning last Tuesday, after trailing in a scoreless position for the first 5 innings.



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IMPROPER ADDRESSES

Many inquiries received by activities  
leaders fail to give proper Department  
addresses. Some people seeking informa-  
tion give their home address only. It  
should be obvious that those volunteer-  
ing their time to promote meritorious  
functions in the Department are making  
sufficient sacrifice without supplying  
postage too.

Please do not give your room number  
and expect mail to be delivered to you.  
A proper address includes name, bureau,  
and division. The room number and tele-  
phone number may be added to make the  
record complete.

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- JOIN A.R.A.

The Athletic and Recreational Asso-  
ciation of the Department is endeavor-  
ing to furnish the means for making us  
all better acquainted and making ar-  
rangements for refreshing exercise and  
recreation of all kinds. Help further  
the cause with your membership this  
year. Mail or bring the enclosed coupon  
to Mrs. Elsie Romero, 3531 South, BAE.

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Please accept my application for member-  
ship in A.R.A. Fee 25¢.

Name.....

Bureau.....Room.....

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Agricultural Branch of National  
Federal Employees Union No. 2 installed  
newly elected officers at the regular  
monthly meeting, Wednesday, April 22,  
at 8 p. m., at 710 14th Street, N. W.,  
according to Mr. A. C. Edwards, retir-  
ing president.

Officers installed are -

Dr. Herbert Smith, Forest Service,  
president.

Frank Lombard, Forest Service,  
first vice president.

John Gray, Secretary's Office,  
second vice president.

Joel J. Winkjer, Dairy Industry,  
third vice president.

Mary O'Donnell, Agricultural  
Economics, secretary-treasurer.

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J. V. HANSON ADDRESSES CAMERA CLUB

The Washington Photographic Society,  
with which the U.S.D.A. Camera Club has  
merged, was very fortunate in securing  
Mr. John V. Hanson to speak at its lat-  
est meeting at Central High School on  
Wednesday, April 22, at 8 p. m.

Mr. Hanson supplemented his talk  
with a series of full color motion pic-  
tures. For three different years, his  
color pictures have been rated among  
the current ten best selections. He is  
now a director of the American Cinema  
League. He also has lectured, by re-  
quest, in several foreign countries,  
and has now a standing invitation to  
speak before both the British and Dan-  
ish Royal Photographic Societies.

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WELFARE STORE SPECIALS

Meat Specials

Pork Sausage and Pork Chops

Pork Roast and Spare Ribs

Beef: Steaks and Roasts

Lard -- 2-pound bucket..... 22¢

There is also a large quantity  
of delicious candy on sale.

Department Delicatessen  
Basement of Administration Building



## MANY SAVE ON PURCHASES

Hundreds of dollars have already been saved by employees who have joined the new A.R.A. sponsored cooperative buying club. Several of them, in the buying of automobiles alone at a saving of 11% to 15% on new cars purchased, have saved many times the \$3 life membership fee which is charged upon joining the club through the A.R.A. The regular fee for all outside purchasers is \$4. If you care to join the A.R.A. (and everybody should), this \$4 membership may be had for 25¢, plus \$2.75, the charge to all A.R.A. members.

If you have a car to trade in on a new one, the regular list price will be allowed and you will still get your 11% to 15% discount on the difference between that and the price of the new car.

Here is a list of some actual savings that members have made:

Member #17249 in the Farm Credit Administration saved \$33.66 on a single purchase of silver.

Member #7125 in the Department of Justice has saved over \$3 on coal in a few months.

Member #17626 in the Department of Commerce saved \$70.96 on two purchases, a vacuum cleaner, \$20.40, and some china, \$50.56.

Many have saved, for the past 3 year, on furniture, stoves, electric appliances of all kinds, and on small purchases at over 100 local retail stores that are affiliated with this co-operative buying plan. You can ask about the plan from H. E. Pryor, AAA, 0712 South Building; A.C. Edwards, BAE, 3841 South Building; Jimmie Hitchens, Room 313, O. P. O., or Mrs. Romero, BAE, 3531 South Building.

Please fill out this coupon and send it in a chain envelope to Mrs. Romero, BAE, 3531 South Building.

Please send me information about the ARA purchase plan.

Name.....

Bureau.....Room.....

It is understood that there is no obligation on my part.

## THOUGHTS BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS

When sun is bright and skies are blue  
For leisure we do mine,  
Instead we write a thesis true  
On virtues of the kudzu vine.

Lespedeza we may learn  
From a Governor its name did earn  
Beautiful it's said to be  
A tropic plant of fabasae  
(beans to you)

Alsike blossoms, pink and white,  
With cowpeas, vetch and clover'll  
Make a picnic for the honey bees  
Before the summer's over.

Alsike here from Sweden came,  
Lespedeza's Spanish,  
Kudzu Japanese may claim,  
The rest American-ish.

Soil Conservation does us fret,  
Adjusting Agriculture too,  
And Contract Payments must be met  
With something more than "Billet  
doux".

And so we search the world around  
For plants to make more fertile  
The land we love, and Uncle Sam  
Will then enrich our people.

- Helen Byrom.

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## TRAVEL BUREAU

Transportation Wanted -  
To Milwaukee or Chicago, on or about  
May 15. Call at Room 2608 South Building,  
DI-6350, Extension 2057.

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To Van Buren, Arkansas, any time during  
April, May, or June, and, if possible,  
return after three or four weeks. Call  
Miss Agatha Pfeiffer, Room 2715,  
South Building, Branch 4469.

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To Seattle, Washington, or vicinity, on  
or about June 15. Call Miss Pfeiffer,  
Room 2715 South Building, Branch 4469.

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To New York City, on May Day. Call  
L.L. Crouse, 508 Administration Building,  
Branch 594.



## MEN'S TENNIS ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Men's Tennis Association of the Department of Agriculture was held in Room 104, Administration Building, April 16, 1936.

Mr. Thomas G. Shearman, of the Solicitor's Office, was elected President, and Mr. John R. Fleming, of the Office of Information, was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Elwood Hoeffcker, of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, was elected captain of the team, which is expected to enjoy a highly successful season this year.

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## SOFTBALL

The great interest in softball shown throughout the Department last year was not a passing fancy, as evidenced by this year's A.R.A. Inter-Bureau Leagues. Applications for the Early Day League number 9 teams, while the Late Day League includes 14 teams, the Nite League counting 4 teams at present, with the Girls' League supplying organized recreation to 4 groups.

Time is limited. If you desire to enter another team, or if you work in a non-playing bureau and should like to play, contact Jimmy Hitchens, Comptroller's Office, Room 313, O. P. O.

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## GIRLS' VARSITY HOPES TO MATCH BOYS

The Girls' Varsity are getting into form in order to match the record made by the boys' team last year. The championship series in Chicago is their goal. New candidates are welcome. Contact Charlotte Reidel, Tab. AAA, O.P.O.

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## RESETTLEMENT CHAMPS

Resettlement won the Government Y.M.C.A. Basketball League championship by defeating Bureau of Investigation recently. Another scoop for the Aggies!

## RIDING CLUB POPULAR

There are now three riding academies serving the 75 members of the Department Riding Club:

1. Yorkshire Stables, 2521 F. Street, N.W. (Thursdays at 5:30 and Saturdays at 2:30). For reservations call Mr. Gallagher (WE-2966).

2. Indian Springs Stables, Four Corners, Md. (Sundays at 11 and 2.) Call Mr. Curran. (Silver Springs 733) and make reservations a week in advance.

3. Our Riding School, New Hampshire Avenue and G Street, N.W. Call WE-2392 and make individual or group reservations. Reduced rates are available to club members - 75¢ an hour on week days and \$1.00 an hour on Sundays and holidays.

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## FREE LESSONS IN CONTRACT BRIDGE

The Athletic and Recreational Association has arranged to furnish its members and any other employees of the Department of Agriculture a course of four free lessons in the fundamentals of contract bridge by Maxwell L. Johnson, well known lecturer on contract bridge, and associate of Eli Culbertson. These will consist of a series of four lessons beginning Monday, April 27, and will run for four consecutive weeks. Another class will begin April 28, Tuesday, and continue for four consecutive weeks.

The course is free and entails no obligations. Anyone interested in registering drop a note to H. E. Pryor, Room 0712, South Bldg. Do not phone.

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## RESETTLEMENT UNION, LODGE 206, A.F.G.E.

An important meeting of the Resettlement Union, Lodge 206, A.F.G.E., is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, at 8 p. m. at 1328 G Street, N. W.

Eleanor Nelson, of the Women's Bureau, Department of Labor, will address the group.

Elections for positions vacant will be held and a discussion of the lodge's educational program will take place.



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## AGRICULTURE TEAMS IN CHESS MATCH

Two teams of five men each, representing the old-line bureaus and the newer agencies, respectively, met in match chess play April 16 at the quarters of the Agricultural Chess Club. Although the agricultural group for many years has had a sizeable string of players and has participated in many District chess events, this is the first year it has had two teams.

The match was a win for the old-line team, with a score of 3 to 1 with one game unfinished. This game, involving end play with a king, rook, and 3 pawns (Sturges) against a king, 2 bishops, and 3 pawns (Chmielewski), is to be played out at an early date because of the unusually interesting position. Its outcome does not affect the standing of the teams. The match will probably become an annual event.

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## REORGANIZATION MEETINGS

### Golf

Spring is with us and the early pill driving addicts will turn out to make plans for the coming season. The first meeting will be held May 4 in Room 4552 at 4:45 p. m.

### Stamps

Meeting is called for May 11, 4:45 p. m., Room 4552.

### Hiking

Plans for the first hike of the season will be discussed at a meeting of the "Knights of the Itching Feet", when that group organizes on May 18, at 4:40 p. m., in Room 4552.

Mrs. Amelia Boberg (BBS) is temporary chairman of the above activities until an election of officers takes place.

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## STREET SCENE

Sign displayed in a local cigar store window: "Special This Week - Rum Soaked Crooks".

## HOUSING PROBLEMS

The Exchange will continue its policy of supplying information regarding any housing problems that come to its attention. This is in cooperation with Mrs. Winfree, Departmental Welfare Worker.

The location or complete information will not be published in the issues of the Exchange. However, if you are looking for suitable housing conditions, or have any for sale or rent that may be desirable to any Department employee, please file them with Mrs. Winfree, in care of the Exchange, and satisfactory results will be obtained.

Also, a special miscellaneous Exchange Bureau will be conducted, whereby any useful articles that have been slightly used and may be of use to some other party can be purchased at a fraction of the original cost.

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## A.R.A. BRIDGE CLUB

The winners of Saturday night's duplicate game at 1603 K Street were:

First - Mr. V. B. Bonney and  
Mr. Philip Krupen (F&D)  
Second - Mr. Dan Dahle (F&D) and  
Mrs. June Hodgkins (BAE)

Games have been scheduled for Saturday, May 9 and 23. Members of the club are asked to be present and bring a guest.

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A special "bidding" class of four tables has been formed, consisting of members of the previous school of instruction, with Mr. Cheeks and an assistant giving "supervised bidding" during the entire evening. This class meets one night per week and instead of having a lecture preceding the playing of several hands, the evening is spent entirely in playing. Anyone interested in such a class, probably to be held on Friday of each week, contact Ethel E. Terry, Secretary, Room 112, Administration Building.



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Hereafter strict deadline schedule  
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when contributors are late in sending  
in items. The Exchange shall adhere  
to punctuality in the future, regard-  
less of the amount of material forward-  
ed to us by deadline. We will appre-  
ciate your cooperation in sending us  
contributions on time. This is your  
paper; short stories or poems by our  
readers will be appreciated and given  
highest consideration if sent to Room  
104, Administration Building.

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OBSERVATIONS

Have you stopped to glance at the  
unique clock fixed on the wall at the  
east end of the Patio in the Adminis-  
tration Building? The hours 1 to 11  
are formed with the letters constitut-  
ing our namesake, A-G-R-I-C-U-L-T-U-R-E,  
and in place of number 12 is substi-  
tuted the French flower of royalty,  
the fleur de lis. ---

Did you see the tulip beds near the  
Administration Building the first morn-  
ing they began to open? It was a pic-  
ture to delight out most poetic fan-  
cies. The glowing pink petals begin-  
ing to break through the lovely olive-  
green leaves was like sunrise on a  
green-gray lake. The charm of early  
morning makes the beautiful even more  
beautiful. D. D.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE POST 36  
THE AMERICAN LEGION

The Agriculture Post held their  
first Annual Ball at the Hotel Washing-  
ton, April 15, and enjoyed a highly  
successful affair. The District Guard  
Honor participated in a drill and grand  
march and was roundly applauded for its  
efforts. Little Miss Robinson gave a  
splendid exhibition of tap dancing and  
Comrade McCurry entertained with vocal  
selections.

Departmental Commander Joseph J. Mal-  
loy, Vice Commander Charles Warren, and  
many other Department and Post officers  
were present.

The Post extends its thanks to all  
of those who helped to make the ball a  
success.

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The regular meeting was held in  
Moose Hall, April 17, Captain Horton,  
Department Sons of Legion Officer, gave  
an interesting talk and urged that this  
Post form a squadron of their own.

The next regular meeting of the Post  
will be held in the Auditorium, South  
Building, on May 1 at 8 p.m. This will  
be an open meeting for members as well  
as non-members. Ladies are also in-  
vited. The initiation of members will  
be conducted by the 40 and 8 Ritual  
Team. There will be entertainment,  
music and refreshments.

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WELFARE STORE SPECIALS

MEAT SPECIALS -

PORK SAUSAGE AND PORK CHOPS

PORK ROAST AND SPARE RIBS

BEEF: STEAKS AND ROASTS

LARD - 2-pound bucket - 22¢

There is also a large quantity of  
delicious candy on sale.

DEPARTMENT DELICATESSEN

Basement of Administration Building  
(Take stairway to left of main lobby,  
entering at front.)



## THINGS I NEVER NOODLE NOW

By - Irv Livshin

Conservationist and Originator of the  
Livshin Process of Absorbing Donut  
Holes for Stuffing Macaroni

A minister is a bird of pray.

A milkman's horse is a nightmare.

You can lead a horse to Vassar but  
you can't make him drink.

A barber is a fellow who gets in  
other people's hair.

A woman driver is an accident on the  
way there before it happens.

The only people who stick their  
noses in the air these days are those  
who can't afford handkerchiefs.

Sing Sing is not a Chinese college.

Bill must be a basketball player, he  
nose dribbles.

A good football never has bladder  
trouble.

If all the cigar boxes in this world  
were piled on top of one another,  
they'd fall over.

'Tis better to have Halitosis than  
no breath at all.

Although the world is known to be  
round, one can still visit the four  
corners of the earth.

'Tis better to remain silent and be  
thought a fool than to speak and re-  
move all doubt.

A heel does not have to be part of  
a shoe.

Pants, like humans, are pressed for  
money.

One can get more response from a  
doorbell than from a Southern Belle.

A legion dog is one who knows every  
post.

Walt may not be big needle and  
thread man from sew and sew - but he  
can keep you in stitches.

Tex may be a junk man, but he isn't  
looking for a scrap.

Al may not be a trackman, but his  
knows runs.

Noodle soup is not brain food.

Stomachache is not pastry.

Chain letters are not found in al-  
phabet soup.

Doughnuts are grown on pantries.

Orientals are rugged people.

That all our great men were born on  
holidays.

That an old-fashioned woman is one  
who marries for a husband.

Hitch-hiking is thumb fun.

There's a lot of difference between  
free speech and cheap talk.

As a general rule it is safer these  
days for a girl to drink in what her  
boyfriend says than what he buys.

Drinking doesn't drown sorrow - just  
irrigates it.

Most nudists are just folks trying  
to live within their income.

Although bald-headed men have less  
hair to comb, they have more face to  
wash.

That your nose is in the center of  
your face because it is the scenter.

The author of this column may not be  
just a pimple trying to get ahead - but  
that's what it all boils down to.

And speaking of gasoline - tanks.

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Recently, a reader of the Exchange  
expressed his opinion of a perplexing  
problem thusly:

If I ever had the occasion to be con-  
sulted as to my pet peeve, I would an-  
swer my questioner very affirmatively  
that nothing was more aggravating (and  
terrifying, too) than, after studiously  
observing traffic conditions before  
crossing the street, to have some  
thoughtless motorist creep up on me and  
cut loose with a series of blasts from  
a klaxon that was primarily designed  
for use on ocean-going steamships. It  
certainly is surprising that with the  
enormous sums spent in research by auto-  
mobile manufacturers and municipal safe-  
ty councils in an endeavor to eliminate  
any life endangering features connected  
with such an important institution as  
the automobile that a car is released,  
ready for the road, equipped with such  
a dangerous hazard, both to pedestrians  
and other motorists alike as are the  
new type horns. I don't think that  
there exists one of us who have not ex-  
perienced such a condition, and if we  
were not glued to the spot by fright,  
we assuredly did some needless scurry-  
ing and not so needless worrying, when  
we observed some thoughtless driver  
rolling along, still maybe a hundred  
feet away.



## SOFTBALL

Several umpires are still needed to volunteer their services in the Softball Leagues. Please call Hitchens, Branch 4109.

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The managers of the various teams of the A.R.A. Softball League deserve a word of praise for their cooperation in the work of forming the leagues. Many of these fellows gave special time and effort, and the result was - SUCCESS.

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In the three divisions of the Men's Softball League formed, so far over three hundred players are registered by the secretary of the league and are members of the A.R.A.

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Work of forming a girls' league is now in progress and a Departmental team will be chosen from the best players. Any girls wishing to play will contact Miss Charlotte Reidel, North Court, O.P.C., A.A.A.

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Every afternoon about one hundred of our clerks get the benefit of fresh air and sunshine while playing softball with fellow employees. How about you?

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The Aggies Champion Softball Team is again under way for another season. Prospects for a winning team are good. A new pitcher besides "Abe" Rosenfield has joined the club, which gives it additional strength. The team is in the Herald-Government League. Jack Caspar is manager.

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Messrs. Bonney (F&D), Lyman (CH), Dywer (CPC), and Gardner (BAI) have kindly volunteered their services as umpires.

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Several new players have also joined the team. Business Manager Jimmy Hitchens is booking several out-of-town games and also expects to bring some of the country's best teams here to play the Aggies. Later in the season a big double-header will be played at the ball park, with both the Aggies and the Aggiettes (girls' team) playing well known out-of-town teams.

## TENNIS

The Agriculture Women's Tennis League held a meeting on April 20, when last year's officers--Sally Miller, president, and Virginia Freitas, secretary-treasurer--were reelected.

On the bulletin board of the 4th wing, South Building, will be found the Chart indicating the matches. Each girl should challenge the player whose name appears immediately above hers, or the second above hers; a match to consist of 2 sets out of 3. If a player does not arrange a match within 2 weeks' time after being challenged, the challenger may claim the match by default. The winner will report the results of the match to Sally Miller, Branch 2316. Matches should be played at the rate of one each week, and may be played oftener if the players can arrange it.

Tentative plans have been made for a beginners' class. This class will be held at the Y.W.C.A., probably on Tuesdays and/or Fridays, 5 to 5:45 and 5:45 to 6:30, 6 students in the class at a session. The price is \$3.00 for 6 lessons. All interested enroll with Virginia Freitas, BBS, Room 4439 South, not later than April 30. When the lessons are completed, matches will be arranged among the members of the beginners' class.

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A practice session of candidates for the Agriculture Team, Interdepartmental League, will be held May 3 at 8:45 a.m. at the Potomac Park (Tidal Basin) courts. All players wishing to participate must list their names and doubles partners' names with John R. Fleming (Info.) not later than 4:30 p. m., May 1.

Those reporting May 3 should come prepared to pay Association dues and their share of court costs and balls.

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MEN - BE VIRILE!

Get that much needed exercise. Join the A.R.A. -- 25 cents to Mrs. Romero, Room 3531 South Building.



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# DRAMATIC CLUB NEWS

The Agriculture Dramatic Club will present three work shop productions of one-act plays on Friday, May 15, at 8 p. m., in the Auditorium.

The first, "The Florist Shop", under the direction of Kenneth Capen, expresses a blossoming romance of a spinster, and relates how a clerk in a flower shop encourages it.

Second, "The Singapore Spider", is directed by Viola Randolph, and is a mystery play employing hate and greed as the theme. This is predicted to produce spine-chilling sensations - so come prepared for a real thriller.

Psychoanalysis and the peculiar desires that are revealed when one is "psyched", furnishes the theme of the third comedy, "Suppressed Desires". If you are looking for entertainment, don't suppress your desire to appear in the audience in the Auditorium on the night of Friday, May 15.

Musical accompaniment will be furnished by the Department Orchestra under the capable leadership of Dr. Walter Bauer.

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## NOTICE

The Washington Choral Society, under the direction of Louis Potter, will present its annual Spring Festival Concert at Memorial Continental Hall on Tuesday evening, May 5, at 8:30. The Pro Musica String Quartet will assist.

The program will consist of a group of Russian Choral works, a group of madrigals and part songs, a quintet for piano and strings, and choruses with strings and piano accompaniment.

No tickets will be sold at the door, but they may be obtained in advance from the Washington Choral Society, 831 18th Street, N.W., or at the Witt-Hamil Music Company, the Willard Hotel, or the American Automobile Association, Mills Building, 17th & Pennsylvania Avenue.

# ARA PLANS NEW YORK EXCURSION

Once again popular demand calls for a repetition of the all-expense tours to New York City. The party will leave for New York after work Friday, May 29, and leave for Washington Sunday night, May 31, the Decoration Day weekend.

All expenses at a Times Square Hotel, including meals and room with bath and radio, for two days, a Broadway night club, Radio City, NBC Studios, sight-seeing, Legitimate theatre, and a galaxy of breath-taking sights will be made available to the excursionists. The entire trip, to include transportation, will cost \$15.25.

The last trip held, on Washington's birthday, had close to a hundred subscribers. This time transportation facilities will be limited and first come, first serve. All reservations must be made in advance in order to secure hotel accommodations.

Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, Information Desk, Br. 523, will continue to handle reservations. Employees are asked to co-operate and not impose upon her time.

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## BRIDGE LECTURES POSTPONED

Due to an improper announcement, the series of bridge lectures to be given to Agriculture employees by Maxwell Johnston, Culbertson associate, and sponsored by ARA, will be postponed until the fall. However, any persons desirous of obtaining mimeographed copies of these lectures may do so by applying at the Electric Institute, Pepco Bldg., 10th & E, NW.

The present series will be concluded on Wednesday, May 6, and all are invited to attend the final session and receive the mimeographed copies of the preceding lessons.

## SPECIAL NOTICE - BRIDGE CLUB

Games will not be held on May 9 and 23, as the Exchange was erroneously informed for its last issue, but were originally scheduled for Saturday, May 2 and 16, at 1603 K St. The game on the 16th will probably be the final one of the season. Come and bring a partner!



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#### IMPORTANT

It has been brought to our atten-  
tion that a great deal of mail is im-  
properly addressed. This causes delay  
in delivery and much unnecessary work  
to the Department Post Office.

Proper addresses include the name  
of the individual to receive the mail,  
bureau, room number, and building.

Your cooperation is necessary!

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#### PICNIC GROUNDS SOUGHT

With the advent of spring and invig-  
orating weather, numerous persons have  
been heard to inquire as to the loca-  
tion of suitable picnic grounds situa-  
ted within a 50-mile radius of Washing-  
ton.

If you are familiar with any out-  
door recreation grounds, please send  
the name, location, facilities, and dis-  
tance to the Exchange so that we can  
publish them for the benefit of employ-  
ees unfamiliar with outlying sections  
of the capital.

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#### TRANSPORTATION WANTED

Passengers are wanted for a trip to  
Knoxville or Nashville, Tennessee, to  
leave Washington on May 29.

#### POST 36 - AMERICAN LEGION

At the regular meeting of the Post  
held in the Auditorium on Friday, May  
1, the 40 and 8 Ritual Team, under the  
direction of Comrade Chaillet, conduct-  
ed class initiation of 8 new members.  
Open meeting for wives and friends of  
members swelled attendance considerably.

Several Post members belonging to  
the District Guard of Honor were re-  
ported to have taken part in the Apple  
Blossom Festival at Winchester, Va.  
during the day.

Comrade Pignotta is busily engaged  
in forming a juvenile group to be  
called the "Sons of the Legion", and  
reports much enthusiasm shown by the  
youngsters.

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#### RIDERS RECEIVE BENEFITS

Now is your opportunity to join the  
pleasant and congenial Riding Club.  
The initial charge of 50¢ includes  
ARA membership fee and club dues.  
This also entitles you to reductions  
in costs on the purchase of riding out-  
fits and equipment at a leading local  
sport store. A reduced riding rate  
of 75¢ an hour on week days and \$1 an  
hour on Sundays and holidays is avail-  
able at the following stables.

Our Riding School, New Hampshire  
and G Streets, N.W. (WE-2392).

Yorkshire Stables, 2521 H Street,  
N.W. (WE-2966).

For additional information, contact  
Mrs. Stehr, Information Desk, Adminis-  
tration Building Lobby.

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#### AGRICULTURE AGAIN TRIUMPHS!

The conclusion of 30 weeks bowling  
in the Federal Bowling League found  
the Agriculture ladies #2 team heading  
the list. The #1 Agriculture team fin-  
ished three games behind, winning sec-  
ond place. The AAA team finished ninth  
and the Resettlement team sixteenth.

The Winning players were Mayne  
Fleharty, Cecilia Whitacre, Charlotte  
Keyes, Wilda Tucker, and Elsie Romero.  
Highest average of 101 went to  
Cecilia Whitacre.



## A.F.G.E. LODGE NO. 116 HOLDS ELECTION

AAA Lodge No. 116, A.F.G.E., membership totaling 800, will hold an election of officers on Tuesday, May 5. To assure all members the privilege of voting in this election, a sealed ballot box will be placed at the disposal of both day and night shifts. However, only members in good standing will be permitted to vote.

Day members in arrears are urged to contact Mr. Albert Lubore, Room 424, Old Post Office Bldg. The day ballot box, which will be found in the cafeteria of the Old Post Office Bldg., will be open from 8 a.m. to 3:55 p.m.

Night members in arrears should contact Miss Grayce Heilig, Room 332, Old Post Office Bldg. The night ballot box will be located by the Watchman's Guard Room, first floor, Old Post Office Bldg., and will be open from 4 to 9 p.m.

Boxes will open and close promptly in order to permit the proper tabulation of votes.

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## LODGE 31 ELECTS OFFICERS

A special election meeting of Agriculture A.F.G.E. Lodge was held on April 23 in Room 2050 South Building. Mr. John Schricker acted as presiding officer.

A new constitution was established, but will be subject to later ratification.

Officers elected were: John Schricker, president; Ed Warren, vice president, Rae Sowell, corresponding secretary; Anne B. Gross, recording secretary; and H. P. Newton, treasurer.

Members were reminded by the new president that semi-monthly meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays while Congress is in session, and on the first Thursday of each month after adjournment.

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MEN - ATTENTION!

Disguise yourself with muscle and brawn for a quarter. Join the A.R.A. and participate in a he-man pastime.

## WHERE IS MY WONDERING BOY TONITE?

It happened early on a freezing morning last winter when the mercury hovered around zero. A clerk employed in the Department who is widely known for his enthusiasm as a fire laddie in his home town, and had been a resident of Washington but a few weeks at the time, aroused his roommate at 2 a.m. with his rather violent scurrying about the room in an endeavor to get dressed and on his way. Somewhere in the Southwest section, where he resided, a fire bell clanged away. During the few seconds it took him to get dressed he did not lose a chance to gaze out the window and scan the sky for a trace of smoke or a patch of reddened sky.

In the direction of Seventh Street a dense cloud floated on the wintry air, and acted as a spur driven in his peculiar zeal, and in no time he could be heard outside coaxing a trusty flivver into much desired action.

About a half hour later he again appeared on the scene with a rather disappointed look on his face, the look of a beaten man, his actions were much slower, and he very evidently wished to retire.

This, of course, only goaded Mr. Roommate into making an inquiry as to the source of his sorrow, and our laddie reluctantly explained that the Engines were nowhere to be found, and that his disappointment lay in the fact that the billowing smoke clouds which he so triumphantly had spotted half an hour earlier was nothing but hissing steam, emitted from the boiler system of the Federal Warehouse.

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## D.C. CREDIT UNIONS TO HOLD MEETING

All persons interested in the Credit Union movement are invited to attend and participate in the meeting sponsored by the Credit Union Section of the Farm Credit Administration. This will be held on May 5 at 8 p.m., in the Department Auditorium.

Mr. Thomas W. Doig, of the Credit Union National Association, will be the guest speaker, after which an open discussion will take place.



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## MEMORIAL DAY EXCURSION

The ghost walks Friday, the 15th. Are you going to save part of that day's check for the ARA New York excursion?

The excursionists will leave the bus terminal at 609 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Friday, May 29, at 5 p.m. sharp. This time the trip will be shortened to 7 hours, for we shall take a quicker route. We arrive in the very heart of Broadway late Friday night and register immediately at the hotel just across the street from the terminal.

Then follow days crammed with thrills ... all Gotham can offer: Dinner, dancing and floor show at a famous nite club, meals at the hotel, orchestra seat at Radio City Music Hall, the NBC Studios, a sightseeing tour of the city, a trip to the observation roof of Rockefeller Center, showing the glorious urbane panorama of New York. Visit the Bronx Zoo, the Aquarium, the Botanical Gardens, Museums, the Great Newspaper plants.

We remind you that only a limited number of reservations will be taken. We cannot accommodate as many as last time. The tour, all expenses paid, costs \$15.25. Reservations must be made in advance so that we may wire the hotel for accommodations. Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, Branch 523, Information Desk, will reserve for you. Please do not impose upon her time.

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An all-expense trip to Berlin for the Olympic Games, with three days each in Paris and London, is available to any member of the A.R.A. Leaving New York on the Europa July 24 and returning September 1. Cost \$550. Full details can be obtained by dropping a line to "Yank" Robbins, Chairman Athletic Committee, Cotton Option Office, S.E. Mezzanine, Old Post Office Building.

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## STENOGRAPHERS, ATTENTION!

An opening for a competent civil service, grade 3 clerk-stenographer, well versed in general departmental clerical work, is now available in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Work is in connection with an office to be opened by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics on May 18. If this matter is of interest to you, please contact Mr. H. S. Yohe, in charge Administration, U.S. Warehouse Act, BAE, Room 2077, South Building.

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## MAIMOTH FIELD DAY

At the latest meeting of the executive council of the ARA, plans for the mammoth Field Day program to be held sometime in June were discussed.

Tentative plans for the holding of the event at the Department's research center, located at Beltsville, Maryland, just the other side of College Park, are being considered.

This is an extremely interesting location for an outing, and ARA officers feel very fortunate indeed in the matter of the possibility of securing Beltsville for a day's recreation.

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## NOTICE!

If you wish to join the A.R.A. Buying Club, please do so through Elsie Romero, 3531 South Building. Several people have gone to the main office uptown. This only confuses matters, as their names are only referred back to Mrs. Romero, causing extra work on everybody's part.

A request has been made by Mrs. Romero that persons wishing to contact her regarding the Buying Club please communicate by note rather than appearing in person or using the telephone.



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RESETTLEMENT PRESS CLUB SCOOPS

Heartiest congratulations are in  
order for Mr. Aubrey McKinney, Mrs.  
Gray, and the others who worked so un-  
relentingly on the Resettlement Club  
publication, "The Resettlement Press".  
On May 1 the first edition was released  
to the immediate satisfaction and over-  
whelming approval of all Resettlement  
employees.

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DON'T GET LOST!

Did you know that if you suddenly  
took a notion to take a walk through  
each and every corridor in the South  
Building that your pedometer would have  
registered eight miles on completion of  
your trip? However, this information  
remains more of a technical issue than  
practical, as the editors did not make  
the pains to verify this statement.

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A.F.G.E. INSTALLATION

Installation of the newly elected  
officers of AAA Lodge No. 116, A.F.G.E.,  
will be held in the Auditorium of the  
Agriculture South Building on Saturday,  
May 9, at 8 p.m. The installation will  
be conducted by officials from National  
Headquarters of the A.F.G.E. All em-  
ployees of the Department of Agriculture  
and their friends are invited to attend.

SUMMER SUPPLIES AT SAVING

Spring is here and soon you will be  
needing numerous items for that long  
planned vacation. Membership in the  
A.R.A. consumers' club is offered to  
you at a saving of \$1.00 on the regular  
membership fee, \$3.00 for your life mem-  
bership. Save 22% to 30% on your new  
tires; 15% to 20% on camera goods; 30%  
to 40% on all kinds of movie and camera  
film; 2¢ a gallon on gas, 5¢ a quart on  
oil; 20% to 30% on many sundry items.  
Large savings can also be made on many  
other summer needs, such as refriger-  
ators, lawn mowers, etc., at one of the  
many retail stores affiliated with the  
plan.

Ask about the plan from H. E. Pryor,  
AAA, 0712 South Bldg.; A. C. Edwards,  
3841 South Bldg.; Jimmie Hitchens, Room  
313 Old Post Office Bldg., or Mrs.  
Romero, BAE, 3531 South Building.

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CAN YOU SAVE THROUGH A.R.A.?

Here is a short list of new members,  
picked at random, all from the Depart-  
ment, all of whom have answered the  
call to save through A.R.A.:

#14548 -	Savings on watch.....	\$ 8.75
#14591 -	" on vacuum cleaner..	17.85
#14608 -	" " china .....	13.74
#14617 -	" " coal .....	6.00
#14618 -	" " radio attachment	3.30
#13002 -	" " 1/2 doz. teaspoons	2.50
#14608 -	" " furniture.....	80.00

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A.F.G.E. SPONSORS TRIP

The Ways and Means Committee of the  
American Federation of Government Em-  
ployees' District Department has arranged  
for a one and two day trip for a round  
of pleasure in New York City on May 15  
and 16. A broadcast event of the City  
Service program, in which Miss Jessica  
Dragonett is the charming soloist, an  
evening in the French Casino, a visit  
to one of New York's night clubs, and  
trips sight seeing New York City are  
among the entertainment furnished those  
taking the trip.



## AN ORCHID - TO YOU!

When a columnist hands out orchids it's good business for the florist, but when the girl in the florist shop takes it on herself to present the costly flower to customers - that's not so good.

Harry Kabat (Sec.) is a columnist in real life, doing a weekly stint for the Prince George's (Md.) Post in his "Maryland My Merryland." On the stage he is Slovsky the florist, and becomes highly irritated when the girl in his shop takes liberties with his orchids.

The tale will be unfolded on May 15 when a group of the Agriculture Dramatic Club stages "The Florist Shop", under the direction of Kenneth Gapen. This will be presented with two other highly entertaining plays, "The Singapore Spider" and "Suppressed Desires".

The casts are:

### "SUPPRESSED DESIRES"

Directed by Harry Humphrey

Henrietta Brewster.....Lois Rankin  
Stephen Brewster.....Dick Bowling  
Mabel (Henrietta's sister).Della Bowling

### "THE SINGAPORE SPIDER"

Directed by Viola Randolph

Jason Harridew..... Harry Humphrey  
Mrs. Meggs..... Edythe Aymar  
Matthew Harridew..... Joseph Walters  
Jim Meggs..... Earl Burton  
Josie White..... Marguerite Dodson

### "THE FLORIST SHOP"

Directed by Kenneth Gapen

Maudie..... Luella Dever  
Henry..... Walter Reser  
Mr. Slovsky..... Harry Kabat  
Miss Wells ..... Lola Boswell  
Mr. Jackson..... Stephen Di Marco

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## DANCE CLASS AT ROOSEVELT THURSDAY

Each Thursday evening members of the dancing class trip the light fantastic at the Roosevelt High School. Music begins promptly at 7 and stops at midnight. Everyone invited.

## ARA BRIDGE CLUB

MEMBERS! Bring your partner to the game Saturday, May 16, 1603 K Street, at 8:15 p.m.

Winners at the last game were:

North & South - 1st - Mr. Gropper and  
Mr. Bitonti  
2nd - Mr. Dable and  
Mr. Bonney  
East & West - Tie - Mr. Hitchcock and  
Miss Pickett  
Mrs. Peters and  
Miss Catron

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## U.S.D.A. GOLF GROUP MEETS

Tuesday, May 12, 5 p.m., Room 4552, is the time and place for the next meeting of the newly organized U.S.D.A. Golf Club. Come join the ranks and help make plans to enjoy the good fellowship and recreational benefit that comes from the grand old game. Membership is \$1.00 per year. Mr. Frank Scherl, Room 5227, Building "F", was elected president, and Mrs. Dorothy D. Allen, Room 4907, South Building, was elected secretary-treasurer.

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## WELFARE STORE

### Fresh Pork

Loin Roast      Sausage meat - 15¢ lb.  
Rib Chops      Liver - 11¢ lb.  
Spare Ribs

### Fresh Lamb

Leg-o-lamb ..... 21¢ lb.  
Shoulders ..... 16¢ lb.  
Rib Chops ..... 33¢ lb.  
Loin Chops ..... 35¢ lb.  
Breasts ..... 12¢ lb.

### Candies

A choice selection of high grade nationally known boxed candies is available in a price range of 50¢ to \$1.50 a box.

Store is located in the basement of Administration Building. Use stairway at center of patio and turn to right.



## "BATCHING FANCIES"

One morning a bus bulging with a pay load of office workers stopped at a local corner to take on passengers, and among these were two young men of average attraction, both tall and about 25 years of age. They displayed their passes with routine enthusiasm and continued their conversation until they were properly situated in the center of the conveyance, where the writer overheard the following conversation:

"Say, what's for dinner tonite, Bill?"

"Hamburger, I guess."

"How about some chicken?"

"Nope, too near pay day."

"We've got enough macaroni - and rice."

"How about bread?"

"Yeah, we got enough, and butter too."

"And don't forget the cold potatoes in the ice box."

"Well, I guess we'll get by."

"I hope so."

"Say, where are we?"

"Cold potatoes, rice, maca--"

"No, dope, I mean what street."

"Oh, you've gone past your stop."

You'll have to walk back a couple of blocks."

"So long."

"So long."

"Tsk-tsk."

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## TRANSPORTATION

The Auto-Travel Bureau, formerly a feature of the Exchange, is being revived.

If you have accommodations for a passenger or two to distant points, certainly someone in the Department who will appreciate it will avail himself of a chance to procure a trip at low expense. On the other hand, if you desire transportation, make use of our service.

Drop a note in a chain envelope to R. R. Blane, 104 Administration Building, Division of Operation. Please do not phone, and if possible give a few weeks notice.

WANTED - Transportation to Raleigh, N. C., May 15th. R. R. Blane.

## SOFTBALL

The prospects of the Girls' Departmental Softball team looks favorable. Practice is held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m., on diamond 8. A few more players are still needed. Come on, girls!

The team has been entered in the Girls' Government League Tournament - looking forward to a victory and trip to New York or Chicago for the final victors.

Suits have been ordered and will be ready for the opening game May 25. Charlotte Reidel, O.P.O., is manager.

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Out of respect to the bereavement of one of the players in the O.P.O. team, its game with Cotton Option last week was postponed.

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Two softball umpires in the 4 o'clock league and one in the 5 o'clock league are still needed. Call Jimmy Hitchens, Branch 4109.

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The recent game between Central Supply and Clearance ended in a difference of opinion and will be replayed - a sportsmanlike gesture on the part of the managers.

This is but one example of the friendly attitude that is expressed by players toward their co-workers. Keep it up, boys!

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Games between teams in various sections of the League are being scheduled for A.R.A. field day. The Aggies will play A. D. & M. The Aggiettes will play a team composed of men.

Get in line for one of the games!

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Ed Noble, BAE, and "Pop" Lyman, Corn-Hog, have been appointed secretaries of sections A and B of the Softball League. Ruben Blane, EAE, is assistant to the supervisor of softball.

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In the recent drive for members in the softball group over four hundred were brought into the A.R.A.



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# PICNICKERS, NOTICE!

In response to a request for suitable picnic grounds by readers, several replies have been received. The following are reported to be of a desirable nature for a day's outing.

The first place that has come to our attention is reached by taking Route 28 straight through Rockville, Md., and stopping at the east end of the white iron bridge spanning the Monocacy River. The distance is about 30 miles. Facilities offered are playground and bathing for children, which is permissible as the water is shallow until some distance from the shore is reached. Lesser groceries and miscellaneous items can be purchased at a stand nearby. Hiking for the hardier ones can be enjoyed toward, or to the summit of Sugar Loaf Mountain.

For those who wish to get up early enough and wish to enjoy the serenity and panoramic splendor of a national forest, it is suggested that they take Route 50 to Boyce, Va., thence proceeding south through Millwood to Riverton on Routes 12 and 3. Travel west to Water Lick, turning there due south and entering the George Washington National Forest - east, stopping at Camp Elizabeth Furnace. The distance is approximately 90 miles from Washington. Facilities include a well equipped forest camp along the banks of Passage Creek; eating shelters and tables, running water, and other conveniences. Overnight camping is also permitted.

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## MRS. GREATHOUSE RETIRES

Due to her retirement from the Government Service for disability, it has been suggested that Mrs. L. J. Greathouse, popular nurse in charge of the Emergency Room, South Bldg., be presented with some token of esteem and remembrance by her co-workers.

Persons desiring to contribute toward this cause may send their contribution to Miss Gertrude Rest, Room 104, Administration Bldg.

# ANNUAL BUDDY POPPY SALE

The annual sale of V.F.W. Buddy Poppies will be conducted on May 21, 22, and 23. Poppies may be purchased from representatives designated for that purpose in the various branches of the Department. Miss Gertrude Rest, Division of Operation, Room 104, Administration Building, will be in charge of distribution to bureau representatives. The poppies sell for ten cents each. Buy a poppy and aid the good work of Federal Post 824, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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## SEASIDE VACATION AT NANTUCKET

Opportunity to enjoy your vacation on historic Nantucket Island, Mass., is offered by the Vacation Bureau. Facilities include a hotel and club house fronting the ocean, where concerts, dances, and entertainments are given. Boating, fishing, swimming, golf, and tennis are among the sports offered at this resort.

During the last ten days of June, through July 4, special rates are offered.

Any additional information can be obtained from George Belt, Vacation Bureau Chairman, Weather Bureau.

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## SAVE ON SUMMER NEEDS

Save 15% to 20% on lawn mowers, 22% to 30% on automobile tires, 10% to 20% on electric refrigerators, 25% to 30% on washing machines - or, better still, save time and money by sending all your laundry and dry cleaning to affiliated cleaning establishments at which some members are already saving from \$2.00 to \$3.00 a month. Send for further information from Mrs. Elsie Romero, BAE, Room 3531, South Building. Be sure to give your Bureau and/or home address.



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## LEGION NOTES

The regular meeting of Post 36 was held in Moose Hall on May 15, with a notably large crowd in attendance.

Comrade Pignotta reports that the juvenile group is progressing in its organization. This movement is known as the Sons of the Legion, and all parent members are urged to sponsor kiddies' membership. Get in touch with Legionaire Pignotta in care of the Telegraph Office, 5409 South Building.

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## TRIP ABROAD TAKING FORM

The special low rate, 26-day European tour sponsored by the ARA and announced in a previous issue of the Exchange, is rapidly maturing. The trip is scheduled with the White Star Line. The S. S. Berengaria is chartered to make the crossing, and the cost is quoted at but \$298. This price includes transportation from and back to New York, U. S. tax on steamer tickets, three meals per day, complete sightseeing including entrance fees, tips in hotels and restaurants on the continent, transportation of one suitcase not over 9-1/2 x 15 x 26 inches. Another smaller bag to be taken at owner's responsibility. Price does not include visas, American passport, meals on trains, beverages, laundry, bath fees. Insurance, tips for individual service, personal expenses.

The sailing date is July 23. Full features and details are too numerous to mention in this issue. For full information and arrangements, please contact Mrs. G. H. Hieronymus, 1734 P Street, N. W.

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This space reserved for our friend  
who was late in sending in his  
contribution.

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IMPORTANT

Last week saw the appearance of the long-needed "Employee Activities" handbook. The Welfare Association, co-operating with the Director of Personnel of the Department, has spent much time and money in its publication. It would therefore be appreciated if officials in charge of distribution would return any unnecessary or otherwise surplus copies to Mr. P. L. Gladmon, Chief, Division of Appointments, Room 328, Administration Building.

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## WELFARE STORE

	<u>Fresh Meats</u>	Lb.
<u>Pork</u> - Loin Roast .....		21¢
Rib Chop .....		21¢
Sausage Meat .....		15¢
Shoulders .....		15¢
Shoulder Ribs .....		05¢
Liver .....		11¢

<u>Lamb</u> - Rib Chops .....	33¢
Shoulders .....	16¢

## Smoked Meats

Hams .....	24¢
Shoulders .....	17¢
Shoulder Butts .....	25¢
Bacon (not sliced) .....	24¢

Pure Pork Lard - 2-lb. Bucket .... 22¢



# TRAVEL BUREAU

## Transportation Offered

Woman wishes lady passenger to accompany her to Iowa. No charge for transportation; pay personal expenses only.

One passenger to Chicago or vicinity, leaving May 29, returning about June 14.

One passenger to Chicago, leaving immediately after work on May 27 and arriving back in Washington the evening of June 1.

Two or three passengers to Nashville, Tenn., leaving May 29 at 4:30 p.m. and leaving Nashville for return trip on June 6, a.m.

One passenger to Grand Rapids (young man to assist with driving), leaving for Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 16 and returning to Washington on or about July 3.

## Transportation Wanted

To Van Buren, Arkansas, or vicinity, any time during May or June, if possible returning after 3 or 4 weeks.

To Miami, Florida -- June 1 to 6, returning about June 20. One way or round trip.

To San Angelo, Texas -- June 1.

To Los Angeles -- some time in September or latter part of August, to be gone about 5 weeks. (Will consider other date of leaving.)

To Scranton, Pa. -- evening of May 29 or any time on May 30.

To Portland, Oregon -- leaving the first of June and returning some time the first of July.

To Connecticut -- May 29.

To Richmond, Va. -- week-ends.

Call R. R. Blane evenings between 6:30 and 7:30 at MET-1638 -- or chain envelope to 104 Administration Building.

# ANALYSEES

by

Morton J. Serlin (WB)

An English newspaper says that American films have been tried and found wanton.

Dieting is the triumph of mind over platter.

The moon affects the tide and the untied.

The old-fashioned woman who darned her husband's socks has a daughter who socks her darn husband.

Flattery is soft soap, and soap is 8 percent lye.

Some people have no respect for age-unless it's bottled.

He's the luckiest man in the world -- he has a wife and a cigarette lighter, and both of them work.

Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go.

Many a woman who can't add can certainly distract.

Most girls have skin they love to retouch.

There is no report yet of a reduction in the wages of sin.

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## "MIDDLE VALVE DOWN"

A tooter tooting his horn;  
A hornomaniac, sure as you're born.  
He gives it a thump  
And gloats as you jump  
With nerves that are tatter'd and torn.

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## CAN YOU SAVE THROUGH A.R.A.?

Here is a short list of new members, picked at random, all from the Department, who have answered the call to save through A.R.A.?

	<u>Saving</u>
#14551 - Furniture.....	\$55.50
#14607 - Furniture.....	215.00
#14583 - Tires.....	7.46
#14565 - Automobile.....	123.00
#14608 - Furniture.....	80.00
#14617 - Coal.....	6.00
#14591 - Vacuum Cleaner.....	17.85
#14548 - Watch.....	8.75



## RIDING CLUB

To the present date the Riding Club has expanded beyond all previous conception. Mrs. Stehr, president of the A. R. A. unit, is obtaining particulars concerning a stable in nearby Virginia, where equestrians may enjoy a canter for the exceedingly low rate of 50¢ an hour. For developments, members please contact Mrs. Stehr on Branch 523, or at the Information Desk in the lobby of the Administration Building, via chain envelope.

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## SWIMMERS, ATTENTION!

Arrangement has been made by the A. R. A. for the purchase of special season tickets for use at a popular local outdoor pool. Among the advantages offered with these tickets are up-to-the-minute equipment, including Ping Pong tables, handball courts, and a clean sandy beach. Swimming and diving instructions are also given. These passes are for unlimited use, the pool being open from 8 a. m. (offering a dip before office hours) until midnight. If this is of interest to you, please drop a line to any of the following:

Mrs. Elsie Romero, BAE, Room 3531, South Building; Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, Information Desk, Administration Building; Homer E. Pryor, Room 0712, South Building; or "Yank" Robbins, S.E. Mezz., Old Post Office Building.

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Plans are being made to organize Inter-Departmental water polo games and swimming meets.

Anyone desirous of playing water polo or entering competitive swimming should get in touch with Mr. "Yank" Robbins, Ext. 2818.

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Get in swing and join the A. R. A. Twenty-five cents to Mrs. Elsie Romero, BAE, 3531 South Building.

## AGRICULTURAL CHESS CLUB NOTES

Officers of the Agricultural Chess Club announce the results of its annual tournament which began January 8, and ended May 1. Of 18 entrants, 10 remained in the tourney to the end, although all contestants did not complete the assignment of two games with each player. The rating of players having a percentage of 50 or more was as follows (in the order named):

Paschal, Burch, Sturges, Chmielewski.

Other contestants competing in the tournament were: Hervey, Hoffman, McClure, McDowell, Richardson, and Simmons.

Sturges is now analyzing the play-by-play records of all the games with the view of announcing the best-played games of the series.

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## DUCKPINS

An AAA team, entered in the National Capital League, won the Class D city championship in the Washington Tournament last week at the Arcadia by rolling a record set of 1751.

Members of the winning team were: Harry Baudu, W. M. Bartels, Arnold Preheim, Ed Paul, and C. M. Bartels.

In the Takoma Duckpin Association League another AAA team won pennant honors.

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## THE TEAM'S ALIBI

The outlook was dismal

For the Secretary's softball team  
They didn't have a pitcher  
And to win was an idle dream.

The fielders were superb  
And they hit the ball off the lot  
But pitchers, pitchers, pitchers  
Lord help the ones we've got.

Then a stalwart looking youngster  
Said, "I am just your man  
You fellows field and hit  
And I'll shoot 'em 'cross the pah".

Now we have a pitcher  
But still we seem to lose  
So the fielders and the hitters  
Are the boys we must excuse.



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## GOING HOME?

A member of the Exchange staff having occasion to travel to a distant point, recently tested the merits of our Travel Bureau, with extremely satisfactory results. A congenial traveling companion was obtained at low transportation cost and our representative was driven directly to his destination by a careful and considerate driver.

If you are going home and have room for a passenger or two, why not accommodate a fellow employee who may not be able to make the trip otherwise?

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## STAFFORD WAYSIDE

Information forwarded from the National Park Service regarding suitable picnic grounds described Stafford Wayside, Va., as an ideal location for a day's outing. This wooded area is specially designed for use of picnic groups, and borders a small stream. A water system, picnic tables, and sanitary facilities will be available for use by June 1. Judging from the co-operative attitude of Washington Park Service officials, a congenial atmosphere is predicted to prevail.

Stafford Wayside is approximately 35 miles from Washington, located between the north and south-bound traffic lanes of U. S. Highway No. 1.

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## "PEDDLERS" ALLOWED!

Bicycling, one of the most engaging and prominent of low-cost pastimes in Washington, does not boast of a group from Agriculture. This is a sport that is invigorating and strengthening, suitable for the firm and the infirm and for the masculine and feminine.

If you are interesting in forming a group of "peddlers", drop a note to that effect to the Activities Editor, 104 Administration Building.

## LAST CALL FOR EXCURSIONISTS

Last minute reservations for the popular low rate, all-expense excursion to New York, sponsored by ARA, will be accepted during the early part of the week. A limited number of "transportation only" round trip tickets will be disposed of at \$5.50 each.

The party descends upon Broadway late Friday night and will register immediately at the up-to-date Hotel Times Square, directly across the street from our terminal, and where all our meals are served.

The next morning finds Gotham - a teeming metropolis, awaiting us with open arms. A performance at mammoth Radio City Music Hall, the technical wonders of the NBC Studios, the urbane panorama from the observation towers of Rockefeller Center, dinner, dancing and a gorgeous review at the famous Paradise night club, an arresting tour of the city's sights viewed through the windows of a glass-roofed bus, the world's largest aquarium, the Bronx Zoo, the Botanical Gardens, the Ghetto and Chinatown leave no stone unturned.

Modern stream-line busses will leave from 609 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. on Friday, May 29, promptly at 5 p.m. The return trip will be made from New York on Sunday evening.

Total cost of this interesting and many featured trip, including meals, room with bath and radio, and the above described, is but \$15.25.

Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, Branch 523, Information Desk, will accept reservations.

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An all-expense trip to Berlin for the Olympic Games, with three days each in Paris and London, is available to any member of the ARA. Leaving New York on the Europa July 24 and returning September 1. Cost \$550. Full details can be obtained by dropping a line to "Yank" Robbins, Chairman Athletic Committee, Cotton Option Office, S. E. Mezzanine, Old Post Office Bldg.



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Articles must be signed and it is un-  
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S. R. O.

They did it. We congratulate them.  
The Dramatic and Orchestral Divisions  
of the Musical and Dramatic Guild broke  
all precedents. A week ago Friday, the  
Auditorium was packed. Every available  
seat was taken before the curtain went  
up on the first act. There was hardly  
a dull moment in the entire program and  
the performers played like veterans.  
The music of Dr. Bauer's orchestra was  
comparable to that of the finest and  
has been recognized as probably the  
best amateur group in Washington.

But here is the point: Not so long  
ago a Guild presentation would draw  
about half the auditorium capacity.  
There was nothing else to do that night,  
so some people came to kill time. But  
at the last performance we saw new  
faces. When the audience applauded, it  
was in earnest, solidly in earnest.  
This was no kill-time evening. We hail  
the new spirit of Agriculture folk.

Having tasted blood, the "public"  
thirsts for more. It has often been  
suggested that the Guild put on a joint  
production - singing, acting, good  
music; a comic opera, perhaps a Gilbert  
and Sullivan. We put it to the Depart-  
ment. What do you think?

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Members of the ARA are invited to  
use the horseshoe pitching courts  
located at the east end of the Adminis-  
tration Building.

U.S.D.A. POST 36, AMERICAN LEGION

The next regular meeting of the Post  
will be held in I.O.O.F. Hall, 419 7th  
St., N. W. There will be a short meet-  
ing followed by a smoker. All members  
are urged to turn out for Memorial Day  
exercises. Details will be published  
later.

Friday morning, May 29, memorial  
services will be conducted at the  
plaque in the Patio, Administration  
Building.

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CAPTAIN O'CONNELL RETIRES

Captain Daniel C.O'Connell, Captain  
of the Guard of the Agriculture Group,  
National Park Service, was retired from  
the service of the Federal Government  
on May 23. It has been suggested that it  
would be a fitting tribute to Captain  
O'Connell to present him with a parting  
gift. Anyone desiring to make a contri-  
bution toward a purse for him may send  
same to Miss Gertrude Rest, c/o Divi-  
sion of Operation, Room 104, Administra-  
tion Building.

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From our friend who was late in send-  
ing in his contribution last week. This  
is dedicated to our Editor:

EMPTY PAGE

Here I sit. My pencil poises  
Over paper clean and ready.  
I'm shut away from worldly noises  
And my hand is waiting steady.  
I would set my mind to rhyming  
Or to melodies compose  
But the thoughts are all two-timing,  
Mocking at my verse and prose.  
So although my soul may tingle  
With a vast and keen delight,  
I can't make a simple jingle.  
Ideas are too dumb to write.  
Hope is futile ecstasy.  
I chew my pencil in a rage  
Because I'm thwarted when I see  
Before me just an empty page!

(Allynne)



## TRAVEL SERVICE

### Transportation Wanted To -

Van Buren, Ark., May or June  
 Los Angeles, June, August, or Sept.  
 Connecticut, May 29  
 Miami, June 1-6  
 Missouri or Nebraska, May 30,  
     June 6 and 15  
 Illinois, Carthage, May 29  
 Indiana, June 10  
 Iowa, Ottumwa, June 4  
 New York City, May 29 and June 10  
 North Dakota, June 13  
 Ohio, May 27  
 Pennsylvania, Meadville, May 29  
     " Philadelphia, May 29  
     " Scranton, May 29 or 30  
 Oregon, Portland, June 1  
 Texas, San Angelo, June 1  
 Virginia, Richmond, week-ends  
 Wisconsin, Milwaukee, May 25

### Transportation Offered To -

Florida, Miami, June 21  
 Illinois, Chicago, May 29  
     " Lawrenceville, May 29  
 Missouri, June 1, 15, and 27  
 Michigan, Grand Rapids, June 16  
 New York, Syracuse, via Harrisburg,  
     Sayre, Oswego, May 29  
 Tennessee, Knoxville or Nashville,  
     May 29  
 West Virginia, May 24  
 Georgia, returning from Savannah,  
     June 8  
 Local - to and from South Bldg.  
     and 16th & S Streets, daily.

Call R. R. Blane evenings between  
 6:30 and 7:30 at ME-1638, or chain  
 envelope to 104 Administration Build-  
 ing. (No calls received during of-  
 fice hours.) In order to expedite  
 matters, be sure to include your Bu-  
 reau, room number, branch number,  
 home address and home phone (latter  
 two are most important).

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### NOTICE

We cannot overemphasize the impor-  
 tance of not encroaching upon the of-  
 ficial time of activity leaders.  
 Whenever possible, conduct any busi-  
 ness by chain envelope, and not by  
 phone or person.

## WHY LIBRARIANS TURN GREY

This is passed over to us by Harry  
 Kabat (Sec.) who says he received it  
 from the Librarian of Congress:

A fastidious young lady from  
 Frederick handed in a slip to the  
 librarian in the main reading room.

It was a request for "Who is Your  
 Schoolmaster?"

The ever-alert attendant, accustomed  
 to the idiosyncrasies of the biblio-  
 maniacs numbered among the reading pub-  
 lic, sent the request down to the "H"  
 stacks instead of the "W" sector.

And it brought forth Eggleston's  
 "Hoosier Schoolmaster".

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### "LOVE IN BLOOM"

The little flowers by hill and dell  
 Have learned their little lesson well.  
 They breathe sweet scents for bees and  
     flies

Because it pays to advertise.  
 The insect visitors that fall in  
 Or light upon the edge and crawl in,  
 The butterflies and bugs and ants  
 Get pollen on their coats and pants,  
 And willy-nilly thus they share  
 In every floral love affair.

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### WELFARE STORE

	<u>Fresh Meats</u>	<u>Lb.</u>
<u>Pork</u> -	Loin Roast.....	21¢
	Rib Chop.....	21¢
	Sausage Meat.....	15¢
	Shoulders.....	15¢
	Shoulder Ribs.....	05¢
	Liver.....	11¢

### Smoked Meats

Hams.....	24¢
Shoulders.....	17¢
Shoulder Butts.....	18¢
Bacon (not sliced).....	24¢

Pure Pork Lard, 2-lb. Bucket

The Welfare Store is located in the  
 basement of the Administration Bldg.



## RIDING CLUB

There will be a regular Sunday morning riding party for members of the ARA group at 8:00. Early birds will leave "Our Riding School" at New Hampshire Ave. and G St., N.W.

Members wishing to ride with this group please telephone the school at West 2392 for reservations.

If you desire to participate in a moonlight canter, please contact Mrs. Stehr, Branch 523, for details and arrangements.

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## "SUNDAY KNIGHTS"

The newly organized U.S.D.A. Hikers' Club, Knights of the Itching Feet, held its initial meeting on Monday, May 18. With so many points of historic interest and scenic beauty nearby, these sunny Sunday afternoons should lure many hiking enthusiasts to join the group. Tentative arrangements have already been completed with the National Capital Parks Commission for holding several hikes through their domain. Let us assure you that variation will not be lacking, and Washington's natural treasure chest will be thoroughly ransacked.

Join this hardy group of bunioneers and enjoy a real pastime. Watch future issues of the Exchange for details.

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## CREDIT UNION PAYS

The Employees' Credit Union, authorized by Congress, is a cooperative organization, assisting its members who are in financial need. Its 687 members received dividends of 6 per cent in January 1936. Its books are examined periodically under the direction of U.S. Comptroller of the Currency.

Shares may be paid in 50-cent instalments. For more information call at Room 2871, South Bldg. Branch 2213.

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Join the ARA - 25 cents to Mrs. Romero, BAE, 3531 South Bldg.

## SOFTBALL

We are particularly pleased to note this season the increase in attendance of Agriculture employees at the inter-Bureau games.

These games provide for an hour of live entertainment and often the satisfaction of seeing one's "home" team as the victor.

Contests are held almost every evening at 5:00 on the diamonds laying parallel with the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool. Fans - find out when your Bureau Team is playing and witness a game chock-full of thrills.

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It has been suggested that the ARA organize Saturday afternoon outdoor recreation and swimming groups at a nearby beach. A party would leave after work on Saturday and go by chartered bus or by private car to one of the excellent beaches nearby. Supper would be served in the evening. Swimming instructors would be provided.

The activities editor will be glad to receive opinions. Address the Exchange.

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## BRIDGE CLUB

Winners of the Agricultural Duplicate Bridge Club game on May 13 were Mrs. F. L. Hart and Dr. C. C. McDonnell; the runners-up were Mr. P. W. Shepherd and Dr. H. T. Herrick.

The next game is scheduled for May 27 at 8 p. m., 2400 16th St., N.W. All employees of the Department are welcome. Come and bring a partner.

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## "EMPLOYEE ACTIVITIES"

If you have not yet received a copy of "Employee Activities", drop a note to Mr. P. L. Gladmon, Chief, Division of Appointments, Room 328, Administration Building, asking for one.



"SURPRISE" SYMPHONY

An evening of splendid musical entertainment is scheduled for June 10, at 8:30 p. m. in the Auditorium, to be given by the Department Orchestra. The Symphony on this program includes the Farandole from the Arlesienne Suite by Bizet; the Norwegian Rhapsody No. 3 by Svendsen; the Prelude in G-Minor by Rachmaninoff; the Meistersinger Prelude by Wagner, and the Romance Op. 50 for Violin solo and orchestra by Beethoven. Jack Levenson will be the violin soloist. Dr. Walter Bauer, AAA, who enjoys an excellent reputation as a conductor, will again wield the baton.

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APARTMENT PROJECT

Several inquiries have been received concerning the apartment project mentioned in the recent Welfare Association publication, "Employee Activities".

The committee wishes to state that inasmuch as they have no definite assurance that the project will be undertaken, they are in no position to divulge any information at this time. When, and if they are reasonably certain that the project will be developed, due notice will be given in the "Exchange" and all Department employees will be given ample opportunity to file applications.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON RECREATION GROUP

The proposed Saturday afternoon outdoor recreation group, which would travel to nearby beaches on Saturday afternoons for a round of swimming and recreation, with instructors, has taken its first definite step toward formation. A meeting to ascertain the number of enthusiasts in conformity with the idea will be held on Friday, June 5, in Room 0712 South Building, at 4:45 p. m.

If you are interested in joining a group to enjoy Saturday afternoons packed with pleasure at low cost, attend this meeting by all means.

A.F.G.E. MIDNIGHT-MOONLIGHTERS

A unique program of entertainment is being sponsored by A.F.G.E. Lodge 116 in the form of a midnite sail down ye olde Potomac. The affair is scheduled for 12 p. m. on Saturday, June 6. The committee promises an event that will make a dollar travel even further across water than George Washington's famous "toss" across the Rapahannock. The entire boat has been chartered and there will positively be no overcrowding. Dancing to the music of a fine orchestra and singing are other features.

Ticket selling is in charge of Thelma Larrivee, Grayce Heilig, and George Moriarity. On the entertainment committee are Alma Roscoe, John Nealy, and Morris Larson. Bring your girl friend for a real treat.

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AGRICULTURE HOUSING PROJECT

The departmental suburban housing project has taken another step toward realization. Already a sufficient number of persons have identified themselves with the program. A second meeting of Bureau chiefs was held on May 20 to discuss organization. Three executive committees were created to carry forward the project -- one on location and sites, with Mr. H.G. Knight as chairman; one on organization, financing, and corporate structure, Mr. F. J. Hughes, chairman; and a third on house plans, cost and equipment, of which Dr. Frederic C. Howe is temporary chairman. A fourth committee on relations with the Department was also organized, with Mr. J. Haley as chairman.

A circular letter from Dr. W. W. Stockberger and Dr. F. C. Howe has been distributed to departmental employees suggesting that others interested may secure information and questionnaires regarding the project from Room 221, Administration Building. It is desired that interested persons identify themselves as aides to the committees, particularly on location and sites.



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ACTUAL SAVINGS BY ARA  
COOPERATIVE BUYERS

#14650	Savings on Radio	\$17.48
#14669	" on Electric razor	3.00
#14667	" " Electric fan & iron	5.47
#14660	" " Electric clock	1.06
#14608	" " Waffle iron	3.12
#14658	" " Electric iron	2.23
#14687	" " Films	3.12
#14768	" " Electric ice box	28.00
#14594	" " " " "	36.00
#14654	" " Automobile	61.20
#14655	" " Tires	3.63

For details, contact Mrs. Romero,  
BAE, 3531 South Building.

NOTE

Mrs. Romero, treasurer of the ARA,  
positively will not answer any more re-  
quests that do not have the full address  
of sender. This should include Bureau,  
Division, Room, and Building.

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That odor of cigar smoke permeating  
the vicinity of the Secretary's File  
Room these days is the aftermath of  
the announcement from that office of  
two additions to the "daddy" group.  
Tom Pugliese and Elmo Bryan are the  
proud fathers of two healthy boys, born  
on May 28. Heartiest congratulations  
are in order for both parents.

FIELD DAY APPROACHES, WE VISIT  
BELTSVILLE

Mention of Beltsville - to us - con-  
jured up a picture of cows grazing, pigs  
grunting, and a man sitting on a milking  
stool. What we saw was the ideal loca-  
tion for a picnic, nestled in among  
agricultural research projects. The pic-  
turesque lakes, the aroma of the woods,  
of pine, the chirping of nature's crea-  
tures; these convinced us of the fine  
time we are going to have on the first  
day of summer, Sunday, June 21.

Races, potato races, three-legged  
races, softball, baseball, archery,  
fencing, horseshoe pitching, sports of  
all kinds, will insure a good time for  
all. For those who like, there are fire-  
places for picnics, shady spots beneath  
trees. The roamers will have hikes  
planned for them. We shall visit the  
various bureau projects, and see the  
famed Resettlement project at Berwyn or  
Greenbelt.

Details are first being worked on,  
but thus far we anticipate a record  
crowd filling the special train, at a  
low fare. Refreshments will be served.  
A popular feature will be the big bar-  
becue. Several head of livestock will  
be prepared specially for us. We plan  
a good time for all employes, their  
friends, families, members of Resettle-  
ment Administration, and others.

More news next week.

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SPECIALS AT BRAND NEW WELFARE  
STORE

SMOKED MEATS:	Lb.
Hams .....	25¢
Shoulders .....	16¢
Shoulder Butts .....	18¢
Bacon .....	24¢

FRESH PORK CUTS:	Lb.
Loins .....	21¢
Hams .....	23¢
Fresh Shoulders .....	15¢
Chops .....	21¢
Rib Chops .....	21¢
Spare Ribs .....	15¢
SAUSAGE MEAT .....	15¢

BIG 16-oz. bottle of Tomato Juice.. 10¢



# MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

# W. S. DRESSES UP

## Transportation Offered:

- Arkansas - Fort Smith, June 6
- Florida - Miami, June 21
- Illinois - Springfield, July 3
- Missouri - Kansas City, June 2,  
June 15-27
- New York - Albany, semi-monthly
- N.Dakota - Fargo, June 20
- Ohio - Columbus, June 12
- Oregon - Portland, June 3
- Utah - Austin, June 16  
- Salt Lake City, June 16
- Local - Between 7th & Longfellow,  
N.W. and Department daily

## Transportation Wanted To -

- Illinois - Chicago, July 1-3; June 4
- Indiana - Fort Wayne, June 10
- Iowa - Des Moines, June 15-20  
- Ottumwa, June 4
- Calif. - Los Angeles, June 3;  
August (end)
- Florida - Miami, June 1-6
- Georgia - Savannah, June 8
- Mass. - Boston, June
- Michigan - Flint, June 15  
- Grand Rapids, June 16
- Missouri - Kansas City, June 6-15
- Nebraska - June 15
- New York - New York City, June 10
- N.Dakota - Grand Forks, June 13-18
- Ohio - Cleveland, June 19  
- Dayton, June 3
- Oklahoma - June 15
- Oregon - Portland, June 1
- Penn. - Philadelphia, July 4  
- Pittsburgh, week-ends
- Tenn. - Nashville, June (end)
- Virginia - Richmond, week-ends  
- Roanoke, June 2-6
- Wisconsin - Green Bay, June 16

Call R. R. Blane evenings, between 6:30 and 7:30 ONLY, at ME-1638, or chain envelope to 104 Administration Building. Be sure to include your Bureau, room number, branch number, home address, and home phone. In order to expedite matters, drivers should submit tentative route.

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Caesar Mamerel, AAA, surprised his friends over the last week-end by changing his legal residence to the State of Matrimony. Best wishes!

Last Monday morning offered a complete surprise to patrons of the Welfare Store. In place of its former serviceable, but outmoded fixtures, stood entirely new furnishings finished in green and white enamel, and offering an atmosphere of strict sanitation comparable with that of the most up to date of outside stores.

The new arrangement is situated to facilitate display of goods and expedite the handling of trade, and also to produce a sight that is pleasing to the eye. Drop over to the Welfare Store and see the last word in streamline-era grocery stores.

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## DRAMATICS

The Dramatic Club will hold its next meeting June 2. If you are interested in any of the many branches of dramatics you are invited to take part in this group.

This is your club, so why not make the most of it.

The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the South Building, 4:45 p.m.

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## BRIDGE CLUB

Winners of the Agriculture Duplicate Bridge Club game of May 27 were Mr. R. S. Hollingshead (C&S) and Mr. G. H. Warthen; the runners-up were Mrs. June Hodgkins (BAE) and Mrs. Roy Hackett.

Games are scheduled for June 10 and 24 at 8:00 p.m., 2400 - 16th St., N.W. All members of the Department and their partners are welcome. Admission 50¢ a person. Prizes are sterling.

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## BICYCLING

The tremendous response to the notice about bicycling calls for immediate organization. Mrs. Amelia Boberg, BBS, will hold the first meeting, at which officers will be chosen, at 4:45 p. m. Thursday, June 4.



## SOFTBALL

The ARA Softball League's claim as being one of the largest in the country is well founded. Approximately 500 members, comprising 28 teams, are participating in the benefits derived from real physical recreation. The three new entries - Photogrammetric, Disbursing Office, and Paid Files - are heartily welcomed.

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### AGGIES ON THE WARPATH

The Aggies Championship Softball Team is regaining its pep and punch which last year carried it on to the championship. To date the boys have won four games and lost one to Internal Revenue. The Aggies promise to properly chastise the "Revenooers" in their next meeting.

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### GIRLS' LEAGUE TO OPEN JUNE 9

The Girls' Departmental Softball Team will play Internal Revenue Girls in the opening game of the Girls' Government Softball League on Tuesday, June 9, at 5 p.m.

The team has been practicing for the last month and is favored to be one of the city's best. The game is expected to draw a large crowd from both departments, so come out and help to root the Aggiettes.

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### DEPARTMENT TEAMS PLAY NITE GAMES

On Thursday, June 18, the Aggies and the Aggiettes will journey to Baltimore to play teams of the Four Besche Bros. Athletic Association. The games will be played at nite, under floodlights.

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"Babe" Lynch, AAA, assistant coach of the Aggiettes, was badly injured when struck by a batted ball during an ARA League softball game. He is on the road to recovery now and will soon be "on the job" again.

Arnold Preheim, AAA, is in training for the coming Olympic tryouts late in June. Local sport writers predict Arnold has a good chance of making the U. S. track team which will compete in the German event.

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In a game with P.W.A. in the Herald-Government Softball League last week, "Babe" Geraty, catcher for the Aggies, hit what is claimed by fans to be the longest home run ever seen on a local softball diamond.

President H. E. Pryor, ARA, "Yank" Robbins, chairman Athletic Committee, and Jimmy Hitchens, coach, acted as officials in the A.A.U. track meet at College Park on Decoration Day. Hitchens has also been appointed as supervisor of the Girls' Government Softball League.

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Joe Bertolini, AAA, will soon be back playing with the Aggies. While sliding into base in the second game of the season, Joe badly wrenched his right leg, which is now "on the mend".

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The A. D. & M. Softball Team carried off first half honors in Section A of the Agricultural Inter-Bureau League, emerging with a record of 5 wins against one loss. The pitching of Ralph Neff and the batting of Lou Goldsmith featured the drive of the A. D. & M. boys.

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### YOU'RE NOT SICK

If you're feeling discontented and indexing's lost its charm;  
If your head seems quite demented with an urge to do some harm;  
Don't rush down to see the Doctor;  
you're not sick, you need to play;  
Just rush to Mrs. Romero, and join the

ARA.



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## BUSINESS BLOCK TO BE RAZED

Moving day is not far off for the business concerns located in the block bounded by 13th & 14th and C & D Streets since the block in question is to be razed to make way for the new Bureau of Printing and Engraving building. However, it appears that it will be at least six months before the actual building work gets under way. All business concerns affected have been contacted, but so far only the McLachlen Bank, the Evergreen, Frere's Delicatessen, and the Cresham have reported that they have secured nearby locations.

Routine of Agriculture employees will be greatly changed after the block is torn out. The business houses affected are a bank, five restaurants, two restaurants with bars, a delicatessen, a hamburger stand, a shoe shop, two service stations, and a market. The trend of employees will be toward the southeast instead of southwest, as the only suitable locations for the concerns in question are east of 12th Street. Incidentally, employees in wings 1, 2, and 3 are fortunate, as they will be close to the new business center, as the employees in wings 4 to 7 are now.

At first many people will probably be puzzled, but gradually will accustom themselves to the change and discover that adjacent to the new locations there are interesting, if odoriferous, places to walk and many opportunities to purchase perishables at a saving.

The new BAE Cotton Building will be located on the west one-half of the block bounded by C & D and 11th & 12th Streets. This will be a rather harsh change in routine for the people who have been parking there. The Evergreen will be on the same side of the railroad tracks as the Bank. The Cresham will be located at 1105 D Street in the building adjacent to the present gas station. Frere's will be located at 11th & E. Joe Judge has moved up town, and the Cornell expects to do the same. The A & P has not yet secured any definite location.

## DEPARTMENT ORCHESTRA TO PLAY FOR A.C.W.W.

The Symphony Concert by the Department Orchestra, scheduled for Wednesday, June 10, at 8:30 p.m. in the Department Auditorium, will be given in honor of approximately 150 Overseas Delegates to the Third Triennial Conference of the Associated Country Women of the World. For details regarding the program, see page 1 of the last issue of the Exchange.

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## CREDIT UNION

The oft-discussed and worthy movement of Employee Credit Unions offers a distinct and remunerative opportunity for Agriculture Veterans slated to receive bonus payments. This is a sound investment, and proper investigation will reveal this plan as a well paying proposition to purchasers of its stock.

This will also prove advantageous to any other employees wishing to invest their money in a logical and legitimate enterprise.

Money received from investors is used in rendering loans to fellow employees in times of emergency. A more detailed explanation is available from the Agriculture Credit Union, c/o G. W. Morrison, BAE, Room 2871, South Bldg.

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## DRAMATIC CLUB

The Dramatic Club will hold its next meeting on June 16 in the auditorium of the South Building at 4:45 p.m.

Persons interested in any of the many phases of dramatics are invited to take part in this activity. This is your club, so why not benefit by it?

Come down and see what we are doing. We are sure that you will want to take part in this active club.

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Benefit by A.R.A. membership.  
25 cents to Mrs. Romero, BAE, Room 3531 South Building.



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FAMILY IN NEED

A deserving family is in need of the  
following articles of clothing:

Mother - house dresses, size 54 or 56.  
Daughter, 16 - Shoes size 5, clothes  
size 16. Daughter, 19 - Shoes size 7½  
AA, and clothes size 46.

All members need dresses, underwear,  
and stockings. Send to Mrs. Winfree,  
c/o Emergency Room.

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KEEP COOL CHEAPER THROUGH A.R.A.

Members of the A.R.A. consumer's  
buying club have been saving 25% on  
purchases of electric fans, saving \$3  
on a purchase of one of those convenient  
electric razors, and are continually  
making savings on gas, oil, laundry,  
delicatessens, sporting goods, auto-  
mobile accessories, and many other  
things that wear big holes in the  
summer budget. The campaign for mem-  
bership in the buying club will soon be  
drawing to a close. Send in your appli-  
cation today to Mrs. Elsie Romero, BAE,  
3531 South Building.

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A.R.A. Buyers' Application

Name .....  
Bureau .....  
Phone .....  
Home Address .....  
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POST 36 MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

Advancing of colors -  
Bugle sounding "To the Colors"  
Invocation -  
Commander J. L. Koehl  
Short Talk -  
Dr. W. W. Stockberger, Director of  
Personnel  
Song, "There is No Death" -  
Miss Ruth Morgan,  
accompanied by Miss Neal  
Recitation, "In Flander's Field" -  
Mr. Talbert Pulizzi,  
formerly of Food & Drug Adm.  
Song, "Dear Old Pal of Mine" -  
Mr. R. R. McCurry - Bur. of Pub. Rds.  
accompanied by Mr. F. N. Walter,  
Bur. of Agr. Economics  
Rendition of "America" by the Agricul-  
tural Chorus under the direction of  
Dr. Robert Frederick Freund.  
Laying of the wreath by Comrade C. E. V.  
Berger, followed by the bugle taps,  
sounded by Comrade Newman.  
Benediction -  
Dr. Howard Snyder  
Retirement of the Color Guard.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON RECREATION  
GROUP

If you are interested in joining a  
group to enjoy Saturday afternoons  
packed with pleasure at low cost,  
attend the next meeting of the Outdoor  
Recreation Group, to be held on Thurs-  
day, June 11, at 4:45 p.m. in Room 0712  
South Building.

If you are interested but unable to  
attend, please submit your name for  
inclusion to the Exchange, 4403 South  
Building, at your earliest possible  
convenience.

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REMINDER

Contributions to comprise a purse  
for Captain O'Connell, recently  
retired Guard Captain, Agriculture  
Group, will be gladly received by  
Miss Gertrude Rest, Division of Opera-  
tion, Room 104, Administration Bldg.



## MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

### Transportation Wanted To -

Arkansas - Little Rock, July 1  
 - Van Buren, June  
 Calif. - Los Angeles, August  
 (latter)  
 Georgia - Savannah, June 8  
 Illinois - Chicago, July 1  
 Indiana - Fort Wayne, June 10  
 Iowa - Warsaw, July 10  
 - Des Moines, June 15-20  
 Maryland - Hagerstown; Cumberland  
 Mass. - Boston, June  
 Michigan - Flint, June 15  
 - Grand Rapids, June 16  
 Minnesota - Minneapolis, June 10  
 Missouri - Kansas City, June 8-15  
 Nebraska - June 15  
 New York - New York City, June 10  
 Ohio - Cleveland, June 19  
 Oklahoma - June 15; 26  
 Penna. - Philadelphia, July 4  
 - Pittsburgh  
 Tenn. - Nashville, June (latter)  
 Texas - Houston, June 27  
 Virginia - Richmond, week-ends  
 West Va. - Elkins  
 Wisconsin - Green Bay, June 16  
 Local - Falls Church and Department, daily.

### Transportation Offered To -

Florida - Miami, June 21  
 Illinois - Springfield, July 3  
 Iowa - Ames, June 9  
 Michigan - Grand Rapids, June 16  
 Minn. - St. Paul, June 10  
 Missouri - Kansas City, June 21  
 New York - Albany, semi-monthly  
 - New York City, week-ends  
 N. Dakota - Fargo, June 20  
 Ohio - Columbus, June 12;  
 June 19  
 Oregon - Portland, July 31  
 Utah - Austin, June 16  
 W. Va. - Wheeling, June 12  
 Local - 7th & Longfellow, N.W.  
 and Department, daily.

Call R. R. Blane evenings between 6:30 and 7:30 ONLY at ME-1638, or chain envelope to 4403 South Bldg. Be sure to include your bureau, room number, branch number, home address, and home phone. In order to facilitate matters, drivers should submit tentative route.

## COLORED EQUESTRIANS NOTE

A riding school for colored riding enthusiasts has been opened at 63rd Street and Sheriff Road, Cedar Heights, Maryland. This should prove of interest to colored riders in the Department. The school is under supervision of Mr. Charles Thomas and Mr. Henry Marsh. For further information, drop a card to Mr. Thomas at 7 Myrtle Street, N. E. Come on folks! Come out and have a good time.

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### HIKERS

All those interested in taking hikes through Washington and nearby parks on Sunday afternoons under professional leadership, send your name and home address to - C. Marshall Finnan, Superintendent of Geology Tours, National Park Service, Department of Interior.

You will receive your notice direct from him, giving full details of hike each week.

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### THE OLD HEAD

I once had a fast ball  
 And a good curve, too,  
 If the fast one didn't fool 'em  
 The curve was sure to.

Old age took my fast one  
 And my curve ball, too,  
 So a slow ball is all  
 That I can show you.

High on the inside  
 Or outside and low,  
 Why they don't kill it  
 You'll never know.

It just goes to show you  
 It's not muscle and brawn,  
 If you use your ol' bean  
 You will last just as long.

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### FIVE BEST BOOKS

"Red Mud"	by	Virginia Clay
"The Well Digger"	by	I. M. Loew
"The Great Emperor"	by	Roy L. King
"The Cloudy Day"	by	May Rain
"Lost in a Forest"	by	Seymour Woods



# A.D.M. - AUDIT, PLANT, TEST TOP LEAGUES

The first of the three rounds of the two Late Day Leagues have been completed. Since it began in April, interest in softball has increased until now these two leagues boast of seven teams each. More players are still being accepted into this enthusiastic physical recreational activity, and if you intend to join a team, do so at once.

A.D.&M's hard hitters lead Section A, with a possibility of a tie with Central Supplies. The latter team has yet to replay a game with Clearance. League standings follow:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
A. D. M.	5	1	.833
Cent. Supply	4	1	.800
Clearance	3	2	.600
Public Roads	3	3	.500
Secretary's Files	3	3	.500
B. A. E.	2	4	.333
Weather Bureau	0	6	.000

In the second circuit, the honors are divided among three - Corn-Hog Audit, Plant Industry, and Division of Tests. Competition among these toppers has been very keen, many times culminating in a "do or die" game.

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Corn-Hog Audit	5	1	.833
Plant Industry	5	1	.833
Test Division	5	1	.833
Wheat Section	2	3	.400
Audit & Accounts	2	4	.333
Corn-Hog Corres.	1	5	.166
Soil Conservation	0	5	.000

None of the teams are discouraged, since winners of the first, second, and third rounds will play for the championship. The second frame has just started, with several upsets already evidenced by B.A.E.'s victories over A.D. & M. and Public Roads. The second round promises to be worth watching. Why not see the games played each week day on the Lincoln Memorial diamonds. They start at 5 p.m. promptly. We'll see you there!

# AGGIES LEAD LEAGUE

The Aggie Softball team again leads the Herald-Government League. After many keenly-fought contests, our representatives have emerged victoriously and are within sight of the first half title.

They are doing their part. Let's do ours. Let's go out to the Lincoln Memorial diamonds and cheer them on to a championship. Games start at 5 p.m. promptly.

THANKS DUE MISS MAYFIELD AND  
MR. BURTON

The A.R.A. wishes to acknowledge publicly its thanks to Miss Mayfield, Mr. Burton, and all other members of the staff of the District Permit Office who have been instrumental in securing for our employees the use of the tennis courts, softball and handball diamonds, and the archery fields. Many of our activities depend upon these facilities. Otherwise they would have to be abandoned. The cooperation, patience, and courtesy extended toward us is deeply appreciated.

# ANOTHER AGGIE A CHAMPION!

Dr. Benjamin G. Chitwood, zoologist in the Bureau of Animal Industry, copped first place in the Star's District Marathon Event on Memorial Day. Finishing the run of 26 miles stretching from Mt. Vernon to the White House in 3 hours and 16 minutes, the former G. W. and Texas U. trackman added another record to those already held by other Aggies. Dr. Chitwood is the former one and two-mile champion. Congratulations!

# ALL EMPLOYEES INVITED

Join the auto caravan going to Baltimore June 18, when both the Aggies and Aggiettes Softball teams meet the Four Besche Bros. teams in a nite double-header. The motorcade will leave the Old Post Office Building at approximately 6 p.m. on that date. More definite information will be supplied in the next issue. Keep the date open!



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## TRAVEL VIA RAILROAD OR BUS AT REDUCED RATES

Agriculture and other Government employees and their friends will soon enjoy a new low in travel rates, when the ARA inaugurates its new cooperative tour service. Already plans are being made for another all expense trip to New York City for July 4th. (About fifty people were turned back for the Decoration Day trip.) There will be a trip to Atlantic City in early August. If enough people are interested, parties can be organized to places such as Chicago at considerable savings below the present 2¢ a mile rate by railroad.

We shall give the employees a chance to determine right now whether they would like to travel by bus to New York City for \$5.50 round trip, or by railroad for \$7.50 round trip; the all-expense trip to New York for \$15.25 by bus or \$17.10 by rail.

For the July 4th excursion to New York City, we shall leave again after work, and return to Washington Sunday night.

There will be the usual attractions that have proved so popular - the NBC broadcasting studios, the Observation roof of Rockefeller Center, choice of theater or night club, a performance at the famous Radio City Music Hall, sightseeing trips, and many other things to do and see. Meals are provided for at the hotel, where every room has a bath and radio.

Tickets for the trip with all expenses or just passage can be obtained from Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, Branch 523, Information Desk, or at the Pennsylvania Railroad office, 613 14th St., N.W. In order to find out whether to charter a bus or not in addition to the train, we should like to hear from employees immediately. Address your opinion to the Exchange, or call Mrs. Stehr.

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The ARA cordially invites all employees to use the horseshoe courts at the east end of the BAI wing.

## U.S.D.A. MAMMOTH FIELD DAY

A special train will pull out of Union Station to leave for Beltsville, Maryland, scene of the second annual Department of Agriculture Field Day, Sunday, June 21, at 10:00 a.m. Many will go by private car. All will have a wonderful time at the 15,000 acres of the National Agricultural Research Center and at the Resettlement Administration's building project adjacent to the Research Center at Greenbelt. This is an opportunity to inspect the low-cost homes. There may be a 1 o'clock train leaving also. It is expected to return at 5 and at 7.

Fencing, horseshoes, baseball, softball, archery, field and track events, including three-legged races and potato races, and other athletic events will provide the excitement. Beautiful picnic grounds, each situated in a grove of trees and on a lake, will be available. Big feature of the day will be a barbecue. Sandwiches will also be sold.

Employees in the scientific bureaus will have an opportunity to see their bureau projects.

Tickets will be 50¢ and will include transportation by railroad and some refreshments. For those who go by car, the charge will be 25¢ per person. The tickets - both kind - will be available in all the bureaus through the chief clerk's office. Railroad tickets only can be purchased at the Baltimore and Ohio ticket office at 15th & H, N. W., or at Union Station early before the train leaves at 10:00 sharp.

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## ORCHESTRA TO PLAY FOR 4-H CLUBS

Members of our Orchestra will play on Wednesday, June 17, in the Department Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. for the formal opening of the tenth National 4-H Camp, while the whole Orchestra will participate in the evening of entertainment on Monday, June 22, at 8:00 p.m. in the Sylvan Theatre on the Monument grounds.

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SPECIAL CONTRIBUTORS WANTED

In a publication such as the Exchange, special items of interest to readers constitute a great deal in making it a success. Articles from readers, such as amusing incidents taken from real life, or creations of a vivid imagination, are always welcome for the issues of the Exchange. Please forward these to the Editorial office, Room 4403 South Building. Names will be withheld upon request.

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AGAIN IT'S S.R.O.

Last Wednesday marked another red letter day for the cultural employe activities of the Department of Agriculture. Hundreds of people packed the auditorium. Every available seat was taken. Standing room only was available. The audience stood three rows deep in the rear. Dr. Walter Bauer's 60-piece symphony orchestra played brilliantly.

Round after round of applause for the gifted musicians and their talented conductor resounded against the four walls. The enthusiastic audience clapped its hands for minutes on end. We hail the spirit of Agriculture employes, and look forward to another concert in the near future.

AMERICAN LEGION

Post 36 held a smoker in Odd Fellows Hall on Saturday, June 6, with a large attendance in evidence. Committee Chairman Walter is to be commended for the success of the event.

The principal piece of entertainment was in the presentation of a mock wedding, all characters being portrayed by Legionnaires. The cast was as follows: minister, L. A. Burkey; the bride, W. Glidden; Comrade De Sager as the groom and C. V. Berger as the fatherly gun-bearer, who provoked rounds of hearty laughter. Music, singing and refreshments were also offered.

The Post mourns the passing of Mrs. Lillian Luther. Military rites were held for our worthy member on June 10 at Arlington Cemetery.

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NEW BUILDINGS STARTED

Razing operations have started for new Engraving building and ground has been broken for new BAE Cotton building. Moving orders have been given many concerns in the block to be razed. The McLachlen Banking Corporation will be in their new quarters on 12th Street on July 6. The new bank building has a salty, colonial motif and is of two stories, both of which will be used by the bank. There will be seven grilled teller windows. A new feature is a night depository. The new facilities will enable the Bank to give splendid service at all times.

Other concerns which have secured locations are Frere's Delicatessen, The Evergreen and The Cresham. Apparently all concerns in the area in question will have to vacate by July 10.

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WELFARE STORE

FRESH PORK AND FRESH LAMB OF ALL KINDS  
SMOKED MEATS, HAMS, SHOULDERS  
SHOULDER BUTTS AND BACON

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SANDWICHES - CAKE AND PIES  
COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS



## MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

Make Requests for July 4th Trips  
NOW

### Transportation Wanted To -

Arkansas - Little Rock, July 1  
Van Buren, June  
Calif. - Los Angeles, August (end)  
Idaho - Boise, July 31  
Illinois - Chicago, July 1  
Indiana - Warsaw, July 10  
Mass. - Boston, June; July  
Maryland - Hagerstown, week-end  
Cumberland, week-end  
Michigan - Detroit, August 1  
Missouri - Kansas City, June 27  
New York - New York City, week-ends  
N. Car. - Raleigh, week-ends  
N. Dak. - Fargo, June 20  
Ohio - Steubenville, week-end  
Oklahoma - June 26  
Penna. - Philadelphia, week-ends  
- Pittsburgh  
Tenn. - Nashville, June (end)  
Texas - Houston, June 27  
W. Va. - Elkins  
Wisconsin - Milwaukee, July  
Local - Between Falls Church and  
Department  
- Between 16th & S and  
Department  
- Between 1737 L & Beverly  
Hills, Va., & Dept.

### Transportation Offered To -

Florida - Miami, June 21  
Georgia - Atlanta, June 18  
- Macon, July 3  
Illinois - Springfield, July 3  
Indiana - June 27  
- Indianapolis, July 1  
Iowa - Ottumwa, June 27  
Kansas - Wichita, June 26  
Nebraska - Loup City, July 1  
New York - New York City, July 3  
N. Dak. - Fargo, June 20  
Ohio - Cincinnati, July 1  
- Columbus, June 19  
Oregon - Portland, July 31  
Penna. - Philadelphia, June 20  
- Wilkes Barre, June 20  
Virginia - Hampton, weekends  
- Fredericksburg, weekends  
- Richmond, weekends  
Wisconsin - Milwaukee, June 25  
- Eau Claire, June 25

## RECREATION GROUP MEETS

The ARA Saturday afternoon recreation group met last Thursday in Room 0712 and tentative plans for a motor caravan on June 20 to a nearby beach were discussed.

The aim of the group is to sponsor swimming instruction and perform group exercises, as well as to establish a friendly organization to enjoy pleasurable Saturday afternoons at nearby beaches at minimum cost.

Membership is open to employees and their friends.

It is only logical that the number of persons attending who are not car owners exceeds the number of auto owners, and volunteers possessing automobiles to transport members are sought. Operating expenses are to be shared by the group. If you are interested in joining this group, you are urged to communicate with Mr. L. Hibbard, BPI, Room 4944 South Building.

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### MUSCA DOMESTICA

Oh see the little fly  
Come a-buzzing from on high,  
See him flutter o'er the butter  
As he lights upon the pie!

See him flee from you to me  
As he dives into my tea;  
Oh my gosh, he's in the squash--  
Might as well just let him be!

Now he adds a little spice  
To the flavor of the rice;  
There, he's walking on the cake--  
See him shimmy, see him shake!

Watch him wiping off his feet  
On the meat we have to eat;  
Oh my hell, he's in the jell--  
Guess he thinks he's on Main Street!

Now he's on the old man's dome,  
Skating on his vacant lot;  
Say, Ma, that is just the place  
To give him one all-firin' swat!

Dad won't care if you bruise his bean  
If that fly no more is seen--  
Kill him dead and hang him high  
For other flies to profit by! -- DED

## LOW COST HOMES

The Greenbelt Project in Greenbelt, Maryland, is for people in the \$1,200 to the \$2,000 salary class. Complete school facilities, community stores, and recreation center are among the features. If you are interested in owning your own home, write for information in regard to the project to the Suburban Division, Resettlement Administration, Washington, D. C.

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### ARA BUYERS SAVE!

#### Savings on -

#14591 - Vacuum Cleaner.....	\$17.85
#14583 - Tires .....	7.46
#14565 - Automobile .....	123.00
#14565 - Automobile Finance ....	70.00
#14687 - Films .....	3.12
#14577 - Watch repair .....	1.38
#14718 - Fountain pen .....	2.25
#14646 - Oil burner .....	65.00

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### "MODERN TIMES"

Grandfather's unsightly old corncob comes back disguised in appearance. To those menfolk who desire the sweet smoke obtained from the corncob, but have had "thumbs down" from the little lady, a polished corncob pipe is now on the market. It retails for a quarter, and cannot be told from the most expensive briar by casual observation.

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### ON LOCATION!

The other evening when the Aggie Baseball Nine had occasion to use the Eclipse Diamond for practice purposes, Manager Pryor instructed a new recruit to play the position of right field. At this suggestion the rookie hesitated before assuming his position, and asked, "Where is right field on these grounds? I've never played here before."

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The ARA invites you to enjoy its benefits. Become acquainted with your fellow employees. Send 25¢ dues to Mrs. Romero, 3531 South Building, and get your membership card.

## INFORMATION ON DEPARTMENT HOUSING PROJECT

This is just a reminder that the informational outline and questionnaire concerning the proposed Housing Project for the Department of Agriculture employees and others may still be obtained from Dr. Frederic C. Howe, Special Adviser, Office of the Secretary, Room 221 Administration Building.

The housing project is a non-profit venture. It is hoped not only to provide individual homes, but apartments as well. Savings are expected from the elimination of promoter's profits, selling commissions, economies of large scale production and wholesale buying and building. The purchase and development of low-priced land is another factor, increase in value of which is to accrue to the group in the project.

Many questionnaires have already been filled in and returned, and work has begun by the committees on sites, architectural exhibits, plans, cost and equipment, and on organization, financing and corporate structure.

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### MOONLIGHT RIDE A HUGE SUCCESS

The U.S.D.A. Riding Club reports that its moonlight canter and fire-side meeting last Wednesday was attended by approximately 50 enthusiasts, who enjoyed a thoroughly novel and entertaining evening.

The group met at Rhinehearts Farm, Langley, Va., and 8:00 p.m. found the proceedings well under way. Horses were tethered and weiners roasted. A marshmallow toast was also held, after which a ride over winding woodland trails and meadow lanes contributed the final feature of the evening.

The entire charge - excluding food, which was supplied by individuals - was but 50 cents. It is hoped that another such event will be held in the near future. Information will appear in a later issue of the



### SLIGHTLY EXAGGERATED

(An Easterner's conception of the West)

Drake was rolling a cigarette, with the deftness of one long associated with that practice, his large porky fingers nimbly garnering the stray bits of tobacco that had become entwined in the crevices of his left palm.

Jake Laramie occupied the seat next to him on the somewhat worn and much carved stake bench that had been placed on the long rambling porch by the proprietor of the Red Dog saloon some two years before. It had the appearance of one that had been exposed to malevolence wrought on it by the ever-handly pocket knives of the local cow punchers. Since its inception into the local community the property upon which it rested had seen no less than seven owners, all now deceased, the influence of the local card sharps engrossed thereabouts having much to do with that state of affairs.

"See ol' man Williams got his new milkin' cow stole las' night", Jake remarked rather concernedly, and then casually, "Yea, and I almos' fergut ta tell ya, jes in case ya nevuh heered about it. Bud Case, thet new sheriff, gut to see his Maker tryin' ta ketch thuh robbers. Buried him this mornin', guv him a swell funeral over ... "Here Jake looked up and poked Drake in the ribs with his elbow. "Lookit this plumb crazy rannie a ridin' thet fool hawse like he is in this time of day. Stranger, ain't he?"

At this point the newcomer sawed the reins on a vicious looking roan and at the same time leaped to the ground and planted a booted foot into the animal's flank. Without the slightest hesitance, he strode for the swinging door to the saloon, and with a quick motion of his right arm, knocked it off its hinges. Once inside the smoke-filled place, he confronted the bartender with a salutation of unprintable epitaphs, which

meant that the latest customer would prefer his refreshment under the cognomen of raw whiskey.

Like a child that suddenly receives something that he has knowingly been deprived of for a long time, he snatched the bottle out of the bartender's hand and gulped down the contents. Evidently they did not meet with his specifications, as at the last gurgle of his Adam's apple, he indignantly crushed the bottle in his bare hands and proceeded with a new salutation of unpleasant quotations. He slammed his foot down on the brass railing with such a force that it crumpled in the center, and brought his fist down on the surface of the bar, the impact making a hole a foot square in its surface. Evidently, he was very much displeased, and wished to avenge his wrath on the owner of the establishment by causing a little commotion.

Much to his satisfaction, "Two-Gun" Mills, the proprietor, strode into the picture. Apparently, he wished to remedy the situation, and promptly suggested a little fanfare with a rapid movement of his left wrist, which never reached his hip for the simple reason that the newcomer had hauled the bar from its mooring and discontentedly hurled it in the late Mr. Mills' direction. Now his attitude was suddenly changed, and he called for a drink, which the scared bartender was breaking his neck to find, pronto.

As he drained the contents of the second bottle, the astonished patrons of the Red Dog gathered around him, admiring him as though he were from another world.

Finally, Lem Spriggs craned his leathery, weather-beaten neck and broached a question as to the birth-place and stamping grounds of the unruly one.

"Jest up fer a spell frum Canary Tombstone, Pardner", he replied, "Been run out fer bein' a sissy".

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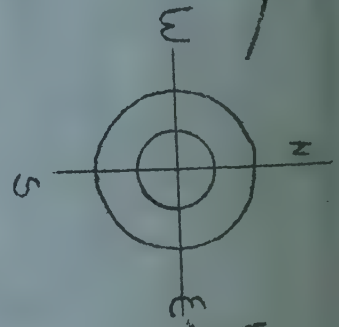
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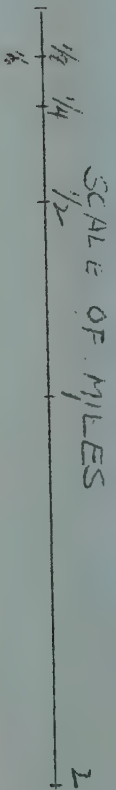


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Buses will meet the train and also make regular tours of the National Agr'l. Research Center & Greenbelt.





## STENOGRAPHERS, NOTE!

A stenographic elimination test will be conducted by the Graduate School on Wednesday and Thursday, June 24 and 25, in room 2050, at 4:45 p. m. The test will be at the rate of 150 words a minute for a period of 5 minutes. Those scoring 90 and above will be eligible to take the special test given by the Civil Service Commission.

Stenographers interested in taking this test and who were not enrolled in the school must secure an admission card from the office of the Graduate School, Room 4090 South Building. Office hours are from 9:00 to 4:30 p. m. only.

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## RECREATION GROUP

The Saturday Afternoon Recreation Group is planning the first giant motorcade to North Beach for Saturday, June 27.

After the initial success of last Saturday's outing, which included swimming instructions, beach calisthenics, and the fun enjoyed by all (which was the most important item), the small group attending were very enthusiastic over the prospect of next Saturday's trip.

Now remember, this is a mutual welfare club, to which anyone in the Department may belong, at no cost whatsoever. You can invite your friends, and your friends' friends, and the more the merrier. Send in your name, with telephone number, Bureau and Division, and state whether or not you have a car available. Also, any information you may have as to facilities and features at other beaches will be appreciated. If we do not have enough cars for the trip, reduced bus rates have been obtained for a party of thirty or more, and we can still have a grand time. Address Mr. Leigh Hibbard, BPI, Room 4944, South Building.

## TRAVEL TO NEW YORK AND CHICAGO

Employees will save thousands of dollars yearly, it is estimated, through the cooperative rail and bus service being instituted, commencing with railroad trips to New York and Chicago for July 4th. Under the new arrangement, passengers have the option of returning on any train within ten days. It is planned to include other metropolitan centers in the future.

The fare to New York will be \$7.50 per round trip, by rail, and \$5.50 by bus, in comparison with the regular fares of \$9.10 and \$6.75. Children under 12 may travel for half fare by railroad. Dinner may be bought on the train for 85 cents extra.

Another tour will be made to New York for July 4th. Friday evening through Sunday will be spent at the famous Hotel Times Square, with meals at the hotel. A sightseeing tour; the NBC studios; a Radio City Music Hall performance; a trip to the observation roof of Rockefeller Center in the world's fastest elevator, and a choice of a nite club or legitimate theatre comprise the diversions. (There is a 50-cent extra charge for the nite club on holidays, payable in advance.) Cost by rail, \$17.10; by bus, \$15.25. The train leaves Union Station on July 3rd, at 4:00 p.m. The bus leaves from 609 Pennsylvania Avenue at 5:00, returning Sunday. Reserve now with Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, Branch 523, Information Desk, or rail tickets at the Pennsylvania R. R. ticket office, 613 14th Street, N.W.

The round trip to Chicago will be \$25.50. Make reservations for the Chicago trip with Mrs. Stehr only. A special tour of Atlantic City is also scheduled for August.

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## FAMOUS LAST WORDS -

It's not the heat, it's the humidity!

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INTEREST!

The June issue of "Readers Digest" carries an article that should prove to be of interest to all Agriculture employees. One statement from that particular article expresses the fact that there are 47,500 people employed by the U. S. D. A.

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HOUSING PROBLEMS

Mrs. Winfree, Departmental Welfare Worker, is in possession of an extensive file of rooming and housing information. It is against the policy of the Exchange to publish outright any advertisements concerning such.

Mrs. Winfree will be glad to cooperate with persons desiring or having suitable housing conditions. Write her in care of the Emergency Room.

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WHEEL CHAIRS

Wheel chairs are now available in the Guard Office, Room 24, Basement, Administration Building, and the Emergency Room, Room 1895, South Building, for the use of employees in cases of extreme illness or accident. These chairs can be used whenever needed upon application to the Captain of the Guard.

WELCOME CAPTAIN MALENFANT

Mr. D. J. Malenfant, who has for several years past very ably served as Lieutenant on the Guard Force of the Department of Agriculture, and now connected with the National Park Service, Agriculture Group, has recently been appointed Captain of the Guard of the Agriculture Group, succeeding Captain D. C. O'Connell, who was retired on May 23.

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WELFARE STORE

FRYING CHICKENS

FRESH PORK AND FRESH LAMB OF ALL KINDS

SMOKED MEATS, HAMS, SHOULDERS

SHOULDER BUTTS AND BACON

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SANDWICHES - CAKE AND PIES

COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS

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ORGANIZATION LECTURE

The A.F.G.E. Lodge #31 is delighted to announce another lecture on Thursday, July 2, at 8 p. m. in Room 2050 South Building. An important topic, "Why Government Employees Organize", will be expounded by Mr. Gilbert E. Hyatt, editor of the Union Postal Clerk, and representative of the National Federation of Postal Clerks.

With a strong background of continual struggles on behalf of his fellow employees, Mr. Hyatt is well qualified to speak on this subject which must be of vital interest to all government workers.

You are urged to come early to obtain desirable seats.

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"I think the Department of Agriculture is a lovely place to work in", said pretty Florene F. of the AAA, while riding to New York on the ARA excursion special. "There are so many things for the people to do."



# MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

## "GAY FUTURITY"

### Make Requests for July 4th Trips NOW

#### Transportation Wanted To -

Arkansas - Little Rock, July 1  
 Calif. - Los Angeles, Aug. (latter)  
 Idaho - Boise, July 31  
 Indiana - Warsaw, July 10  
 Maryland - Cumberland; Hagerstown  
 Mass. - Boston, June; July  
 Michigan - Detroit, August 1  
 Missouri - Kansas City, June 27  
 N. Car. - Raleigh, week-ends  
 New York - Albany, June (latter)  
                   - New York City, July 3  
 Ohio - Steubenville, week-end  
 Oklahoma - June 26  
 Penna. - Philadelphia, July 3  
                   - Pittsburgh, week-ends  
 R. I. - Providence, July 17  
 Tennessee - Nashville, June (latter)  
 Texas - Houston, June 27  
 W. Va. - Elkins, week-end  
 Local - Between 49th and Chesapeake, N.W. & Dept.  
                   - Between 1737 L & Beverly Hills, Va. & Dept.

#### Transportation Offered To -

Georgia - Macon, July 3  
 Illinois - Springfield, July 3  
 Indiana - June 27-30  
                   - Indianapolis, July 1  
 Iowa - Ottumwa, June 27  
 Kansas - Wichita, June 26  
 Missouri - Kansas City, July 1  
 Nebraska - Loup City, July 1  
 N. J. - Atlantic City, July 3  
 New York - New York City, week-ends  
 Ohio - Cincinnati, July 1  
                   - Dayton, June 27  
 Oregon - Portland, July 31  
 Utah - Salt Lake City, June 27  
 Virginia - Hampton, week-ends  
                   - Richmond, week-ends  
 Wisconsin - Milwaukee, June 25;  
                                     July 1-3  
                   -Equelaire, June 25

Call R. R. Blane evenings between 6:30 and 7:30 ONLY at ME-1638, or chain envelope to 4403 South Building. Be sure to include your bureau, room number, branch number, and home phone.

The story begins in the year 1956, and we find an ambitious reporter on the Exchange, who always has served his paper well after office hours and accomplished many kindly deeds and gestures toward his fellow employees. He did not even complain when the draft from the stream-fan of a co-worker gave him a pain in the neck nights. His attitude was always to help the other fellow. He was so good, in fact, that one night an angel appeared to him and informed him that he might have anything he chose. Quite skeptical, he asked for a copy of the "Exchange", issue of July 1976. He was amazed when in the twinkling of an eye there appeared in his hand a copy of Vol. 81, No. 17. Excitedly, he glanced at the first page, and observed with delight the outlay and apparent success of his beloved publication. Turning over to page 2, he saw - alas! an announcement to the fact that he, the poor fellow, had died but a few days before.

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#### LITTLE WILLIE

Willie had a purple monkey  
 Climbing on a yellow stick;  
 And when he sucked the paint all off;  
 It made him deathly sick;  
 And in his latest hours  
 He clasped that monkey in his hand  
 And said good-bye to earth  
 And went into a better land.  
 Oh! no more he'll shoot his sister  
 With his little wooden gun  
 And no more he'll twist the pussy's tail  
 And make her yowl for fun;  
 The pussy's tail now stands out straight  
 The gun is laid aside;  
 The monkey doesn't jump around  
 Since little Willie died.

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The ARA invites you to enjoy its benefits. Become acquainted with your fellow employees. Send 25¢ dues to Mrs. Romero, 3531 South Building, and get your membership card.

## RIDING CLUB

"Another moonlight ride" is the most discussed topic among the hundred or more members of the U. S. D. A. Riding Club. The initial venture proved to be an immediate and huge success, all plans working out precisely. It is hoped that the second such event will be held in the near future. Watch later issues of the Exchange for further details!

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### LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD

A messenger employed in the Department of Agriculture was dancing at a local hotel one evening, and in between dances he chatted with his chosen partner of the evening, with whom he was only acquainted a very short time. As is the usual procedure at first meetings around Washington, the subject of where each was employed was brought up. Wanting to make a good impression upon the girl, who was a bit older than he, our messenger friend went on to weave a fabrication that impressed very deeply. For the evening he related endlessly his importance to Uncle Sam in the capacity of clerk, CAF-3, with 4 or 5 just around the corner.

A few days later, our friend was sent on an errand to an outside agency, and as he boarded the street car he met his feminine acquaintance of a few nights before. In his hand he carried a large envelope with the words "By M'GR" conspicuously inserted in the upper right-hand corner.

As a woman usually does in such a case, she espied the very thing which would be the last thing in the world he would have her do. Finally, she very diplomatically asked, looking at the envelope, "Are you a messenger or a clerk?" Realizing that his game was almost up, he thought fast and furious, and flashed back, "No, I'm Manager."

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### NOTE

Will the person who is seeking the services of a housekeeper please get in touch with Mrs. Winfree.

## THE AGGIE-ETTES

The Aggie-ettes are in the field,  
And what a softball team!  
They swamped Internal Revenue,  
Beyond their wildest dream.

Each gal seemed to know her stuff,  
The pitching was immense,  
The shortstop hit a long home run,  
It soared high o'er the fence.

The catcher, she's quite hefty,  
And the first base gal is tall,  
You should have seen her play that bag,  
She never dropped a ball.

They all look good in their uniforms,  
They're a stunning lookin' bunch,  
And they'll win lots of baseball games,  
Because they have the punch.

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### HIKE AND BIKE TRAIN

A novel schedule of events is in store for persons who are desirous of participating in a group enjoying unique diversions.

The new craze of the day, the Hike and Bike Train, has met with the instant approval of several persons who are sufficiently interested to organize such a group. A major railroad company offers transportation to Harper's Ferry at the low cost of \$1.50 a round trip. At the historic spot where three States and two rivers meet lies the ideal spot for a day's outing for outdoor devotees, and stay-at-homes alike. If you are interested in the formation of such a group, further details may be obtained by writing Earl Fowler, (Sol.), Penthouse, Administration Building.

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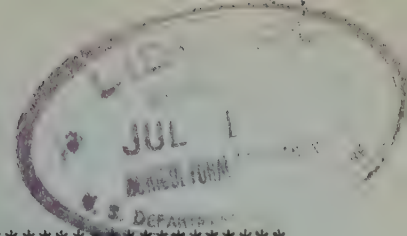
### DRAMATIC CLUB

If you desire to become a member of a well organized and earnestly conducted Dramatic Group, please contact Viola Randolph, BAE, Branch 2162, Room 223, 300 Linworth Place, S.W., for information regarding the U. S. D. A. Dramatic Club.



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## HAVE YOU PLANNED YOUR VACATION?

Many requests have been received inquiring about the possibility of an all expense tour to the Centennial and World's Fair now being held at Dallas, Texas.

Many pretentious exhibits are on display, among them the Federal Government's building with exhibits valued at a million dollars. The Varied Industries Building, the Electrical Building, the Hall of Communications, and various other exhibits are outstanding. Other features will be a reproduction of Admiral Byrd's "Little America", the Cavalcade of Texas, the Midway amusement center, the Streets of All Nations, Black Forest, and the Origin of Life. More than \$25,000,000 has been spent in the preparation of the fair.

At Fort Worth, visitors will witness Billy Rose's "JUMBO", which had an aggregate audience of 1,213,642 people when in New York. A pageant, "The Last Frontier", will be shown. Costly exhibits, beautiful girls, magnificent structures, and even a modern Lady Godiva on her horse, await the vacationist. For information, write the Activities Editor.

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## APPRECIATION

To those employees who so thoughtfully donated articles of clothing to the needy family described in a previous issue of the Exchange, we are glad to voice the sincerest thanks and gratitude of the recipients.

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## TOM McDONALD TRANSFERS

The many friends of Tom McDonald, formerly employed in Tabulating Section, BAE, send him best wishes in his new position with the Social Security Board. His successor in BAE is Mr. L. Shade, formerly with Accounts and Deposits, Treasury Department.

## "WHY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ORGANIZE"

Thursday, July 2, 8 o'clock  
Room 2050, South Bldg.

A meeting to discuss the subject of WHY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ORGANIZE is to be held by Agricultural Dept. Lodge No. 31, A.F.G.E.

The speaker will be Gilbert E. Hyatt, editor of the UNION POSTAL CLERK and Legislative representative of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF POST OFFICE CLERKS which was the first union of Government employees to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. As representative of the Post Office Clerks Federation dealing with the lawmakers on Capitol Hill who control the hours, wages and employment conditions of all Government employees, Gilbert Hyatt led his union's recent successful campaign for the Act of Congress which gave to postal workers the five-day week they now enjoy.

All department employees and their friends are invited to hear this talk.

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## OFFICIALS, NOTE!

There is in possession of the Editor a nation-wide list of hotels offering special reduced rates to Government officials engaged in traveling on official business. This list is in 47 supplements and includes too great a number of hotels to be convenient for publication in the Exchange. This service is in response to many inquiries, and considerable savings can be made through its use.

For any information desired, please drop a note via chain envelope to the Exchange, Room 4403 South Building.

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## WELFARE-CREDIT UNION

Hereafter Mrs. Winfree of the Department Welfare Association will be located in Room 1041, South Building, as will also Miss Currin of the Employees Credit Union. Their extension number is 579.

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#### I SEE BY THE PAPERS

A Chicago wrecking firm recently discovered that they had torn down the wrong building.

"Robbers Roost" is the name of a Sioux Falls, S. D., grocery store. Their slogan is: "If others can rob you, why can't we?"

The cremation of a human body is a procedure of which the average person knows little or nothing. Usually, it is only the family of the deceased who is allowed to witness the rites. This is done through a large plate-glass window, which exposes a clear view of the ceremony. The entire crematory ritual merely consists of having an attendant slowly wheel the flower-laden coffin carriage to the incinerator, whence the body and casket are placed in the retort. Usually at this point the family enter their cars, the actual cremation lasting for approximately one hour and forty-five minutes. Illuminating gas is used to provide the flame and reduces both body and casket to a soft flaky ash, the only residue being the bones, which are then placed in a metal container.

#### Legion Airings

Newsy Notes of Agriculture's

AMERICAN LEGION POST

#### The Perfect 36

Commander Joseph L. Koehl's recess announcement during the last meeting to enable members to tune in on Fistic Frayday's Louis-Schmeling affray was met with lusty cheers. Those who went AWOL from the meeting for fear they'd miss the heavy broadcast went to all that trouble for naught.

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#### A Delegate Matter:

Election of delegates to the Department convention resulted in the following being named: Commander J.L. Koehl, Vice Commander F. H. Grant, Adjutant P.L. Blake, C.V. Berger, Zac Lyons and J. A. Maigret.

Alternates elected were Asst. Adj. W. B. Murphy, E. W. Luther, L.A. Burkey, Mrs. A.H. Ritter, E.W. Hollander and B. Z. Kile.

The only difference we can see between a delegate and an alternate is that an alternate furnishes his own Uncle Ezra tablets.

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#### Old King Koehl:

The Post went on record as sponsoring Commander Koehl as delegate to the National Convention at Cleveland in September.

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#### It's Easy to Re-Member:

New members voted into the Perfect Thirty Six Post were: E. E. Blakely, Harry Kabat, Roy Kroner, J. J. Sheehy, W.A. Mahoney, R. C. Morris and P.I. Cook.

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#### We Couldn't Say No:

Adjutant P. L. Blake resigned his post as publicity chairman and offered the name of Harry Kabat in his place. Commander Koehl consummated the deal.

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#### Moon Over Me Army:

One river, one moon, and two boats. We've selected one of these boats (guess!) for July 15th. Tickets soon!



SANDWICHES - CAKE AND PIES  
COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS

## CAPITAL COSMOPOLITANS

"Fares, please!" - and one who has played "One a' Cat" in the spidery shadow of Gotham's Third Avenue El. finds himself aboard a Capital Transit Street Car, and in the midst of a series of cosmopolitan "incidents of the day", the like of he's never seen before. Our first street scene is composed of two colored checkerboard enthusiasts, one clad in barber's attire. Both are deeply engrossed in a sidewalk game of checkers in front of a semi-basement barber shop. Chairs taken from the inside of the barber shop add a leisurely and nonchalant air.

A block further, in this unexpected, but honest-to-goodness show from real life, a youngster about twelve years of age is seen crawling from beneath a huge poultry truck. In his arms he is carrying a good-sized rooster that had somehow escaped from its crate. He is the hero of the day, and proudly hands over his catch to the driver, who is just dying to wring its neck.

It was but a few seconds later that a pathetic trend made vivid the realization that the human sideshow has more acts to it than the funny ones. Several truckloads of furniture lay on the sidewalk in front of a rickety dwelling -- dispossession -- a storm was threatening. Probably the least of worries.

While waiting for a traffic signal, we find the "man about town" atmosphere prevailing. A truck driver is holding a cigarette lighter in his hand, proffering a light upon the owner of an expensive sedan, who has troubled him for a match. It was at the conclusion of this little jaunt that the "perfect climax" was added -- a panhandler put the well-known "bee" on me -- and it was worth it!

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## THE HORNOMANIAC

His tooting is not for the purpose it seems:

To warn you away from his crazy careens.  
But, believe it or don't,  
I'll be blamed if I won't  
Think it's to 'rouse himself out of his dreams.

## SOFTBALL

We are particularly pleased to note this season the increase in attendance of Agriculture employees at the inter-Bureau games.

These games provide for an hour of live entertainment, and offer the satisfaction of seeing one's "home" team as the victor.

Contests are held almost every evening at 5:00 on the diamonds laying parallel with the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool.

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## SWIMMING NOTES

SPECIAL RATE OF 25¢, on presentation of ARA membership card, at Glen Echo and Airport Pools.

The former arrangement with the Shoreham Pool was discontinued by the hotel management on June 5, 1936.

You may still obtain membership in the Ambassador Health Center for the special rate of \$1.00 per year and 25¢ per swim.

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## SILHOUETTE

Have you ever paused in front of the 4th wing (Indep. Avenue entrance) to gaze westward over the new bridge and note the grim watch-tower appearance of the Treasury Register building? Instantly the suggestion of a perfect camera study enters the mind, with perhaps threatening storm clouds forming the background.

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## "LINES"

No matter where you go,  
No matter what you do,  
There is always a line  
To greet you and you and you!

At the movies there's a mob  
Standing room is your fate;  
At the tennis courts and golf courses  
You have to wait and wait and wait!

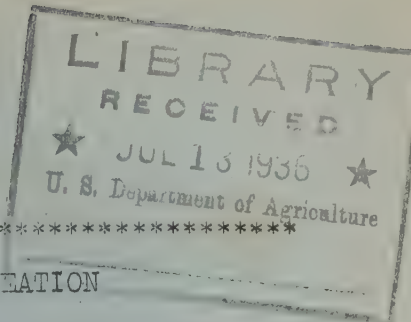
Let's hope there'll come a day  
When ne'er a line we'll see  
Except the line on old pay-day  
Is one in which we're glad to be!



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### SPECIAL HOTEL RATES

Such an enthusiastic and overwhelming response was received regarding last week's Exchange article captioned "Officials, Note", that the mentioned list on hand, procured from another Government agency, will be completely revised. This list dates back to 1930 with occasional supplements. However, with such response in evidence, it was decided to compile a current and basic list. This will save those who have occasion to use the service a tidy sum in the course of a year. If those who have already written for copies or information will be patient enough, we feel certain that a thoroughly reliable list will be available in a few weeks. More than 300 hotels are to be contacted throughout the country.

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### RELIGIOUS LIFE

A booklet has been received by the Exchange from the Committee on Religious Life which serves the various denominations in the District. Outlined on the cover is the following: "Representing the leading religious forces in Washington - Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Jewish - and designed to emphasize the importance to the State, society and the individual, of religion and church attendance, especially at the Capital where one-fifth of the population is in the Government service."

Another page continues: "The committee, consisting of representative ministers of the 22 leading denominations of Washington, will be glad to give information regarding churches, services, Sunday-schools, Bible-classes, etc., and to put you in touch with the pastor of the church most fully meeting your wishes. That we may help you, please write giving your residence and denominational preference, and stating whether white or colored; or telephone the Executive Secretary, Committee on Religious Life in the Nation's Capital, 1229 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C."

### OUTDOOR RECREATION

All members, and prospective members, of the Saturday Afternoon Beach and Recreation Group are urged to attend the business meetings to be held 4:45-5:15, in room 0712 South Building, every Thursday afternoon. Although tentative plans have been made to go to Plum Point July 11th, we want everyone possible to be present this Thursday, as well as every Thursday.

Those members who cannot attend the meetings, but wish to go on any outing, please notify Leigh Hibbard, BPI, room 4944 South Building, by chain envelope.

Now that the Fourth is over, we should have bigger and better times as the heat of summer increases. And don't forget, our swimming instructors will teach you how to swim at no cost.

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Plans have been made for the formation of an ARA Yacht Club to cooperate with the Saturday Afternoon Beach Group. This group, if formed, will have a sail boat, of a safe size, and will be the ownership of all members of the club. There will be some expense involved, but the enjoyment derived from trips down the Potomac, and to nearby beaches will more than make up for any expenditures.

Anyone interested may get more information by writing Leigh Hibbard, BPI, room 4944 South Building.

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### RIDING CLUB

The second moonlight ride by the ARA Riding Club was held on last Thursday night. Mrs. Roby Stehr, secretary of the unit, reports that a well functioning organization of more than 100 members comprises the group. More new members are being received each week. If you are a riding enthusiast, you are urged to partake of the reduced rates, social contacts, and other benefits derived from membership in the club. For information, contact Mrs. Stehr at the information desk, Administration Building, or on branch 523.

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AUTOMOBILES, COMMON SENSE & COURTESY

Noting the continual comments on a very fickle and perplexing situation, we are fully convinced that there is but one major and effective remedy. Regardless of any "mechanical" relief offered, it is very evident and, even more so, a very simple prescription, in the form of courtesy.

Who can deny the observations they have made, of perfectly sane and respected business men, whom, the minute they find themselves sitting behind the steering wheel of an automobile, suddenly become temporarily insane.

What is there about this Twentieth Century contrivance that men must be severely reprimanded for trying to break their own necks. It certainly cannot be said that their outlook on life is not peaceful! It is not the mechanical means that is the sole destroyer of its victims; it lies mostly with man himself. In conclusion, however, I'm sure of one thing on which all will agree - a little courtesy and common sense will go a long way in preserving your life and mine.

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A revision of the Exchange distribution system is now being planned. Readers may cooperate by advising of all cases of late circulation and where copies are not received at all. Address the Circulation Manager.

Legion Airings

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The Perfect 36

Moon Over Me Army:

The matter of the moonlight cruise continues to engage the attention of all good Legionnaires and their friends. Slated for July 15th, tickets are now available for the trip on the good ship POTOMAC, named after the famous river to the south of us. The adjacent river presents a beautiful picture with the numerous motor boats anchored within and the countless motor cars parked without; without regard to the traffic signs which if fully complied with would present a situation of Agriculture employees making hourly pilgrimages to the wharfs to move their cars seven times daily.

The moon will be only half full on the night of Wednesday, July 15th, but the boat will be loaded notwithstanding.

The entertainment committee will furnish supplementary features to those regularly furnished on moonlight trips.

'Til We Meet Again:

The next meeting of the Perfect 36 Post will be held on Friday, July 10th. This date is a hangover from July 3rd when the regular meeting was postponed.

Line Forms at the Left:

The check-cashing line at the local bank on paydays will enjoy the following anecdote published in the current number of the AMERICAN LEGION MONTHLY:

Don Jones of the New Castle (Pa.) Joneses writes about the young lady who had never transacted any business in a bank. She had a check for a sizeable amount which she presented for payment to the cashier.

"How do you wish the money?", asked the man behind the iron grille.

For a moment the young lady seemed confused, and then smilingly said:

"I'll just hold out my hand, and you can put the money in it."



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DR. BAUER

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           - Cumberland, week-end  
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           - Chillicothe  
           - Steubenville, week-end  
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 Penna. - Meadville, August 1  
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DR. WALTER BAUER is rated in musical circles as a musician through and through, and his able direction has brought the Agriculture Orchestra a reputation unrivalled in amateur circles.

At the age of 10 he embarked upon his first adventure as a juvenile conductor. Later as a youth he led a students' orchestra at Leipzig University, and played professionally in various symphony orchestras. At times he has also conducted professional orchestras. In Rome he formed and conducted an orchestra and a chorus. In Berkeley, California, he conducted a chorus which under his leadership became locally famous as church and radio singers. The flute, he states, is his preferred instrument. He also plays the viola and the violin.

Among others, he attended the following schools: Kreuzschule in Dresden (Germany), Dresden Academy for Stringed Instruments and Conservatory, Musical Academy of Heidelberg, Universities of Heidelberg and Leipzig. From the latter in 1924 he obtained the degree of Doctor of Political Science, before attaining the age of 22 years.

His first position was as a research economist at the Institut fuer Weltwirtschaft und Seeverkehr. At the same time he taught Economics and Statistics at the "Volkshochschule". He then spent four years in Rome as an economist at the International Institute of Agriculture. In 1929 he took the position of Associate in Agricultural Economics at the Giannini Foundation of the University of California. In 1930 he came to Washington for one year and subsequently spent three years in France for the Foreign Service Division. Returning to the United States in 1934 as an economist in the AAA, he began conducting the Department Orchestra and teaching in the Graduate School.

His aims for the Orchestra are to make it better, but not much bigger, to provide a maximum of good musical entertainment to the Department employees, and to instill an appreciation of classical music in the Agriculture personnel that will not be emulated by any other Government organization.

## SEVEN YEARS IN A BOARDING HOUSE

by  
The Thin Man

Mine is the story of one who has survived the entire list of distressing stomach ailments that have mushroomed into existence in the past few years. My case is really remarkable, as not once since '29, when I left the farm, can I recall any physical disorders that could be diagnosed as excess acidity, morning mouth, etc. I have not even encountered one little taste of pink tooth brush. However, the fact that I'm color blind might have a little something to do with it.

I received my first two years training in Ma Hogan's place up on 54th Street, just above Times Square, and believe me, you've got to be a hustler to get something to eat in that place! For the first month or so, I used to kinda like to get a little snack up the street a way just before going to bed. This was just about all that kept me from leading a one-man hunger strike. There was a big building going up in the neighborhood and I didn't stand much of a chance with all those iron workers who used to sit down and have their plates full before they struck the seat. One night when the lights went out for a second during grace I thought I'd steal a march, and shucks! when the lights came on I had nine forks stickin' in the back of my hand. Well, that was the last straw, so I resolved to try chicanery to keep my belt from looking like a roll of tape. I'd win the good graces of Mrs. Hogan. That, I thought, was using strategy - a pleasant smile, and a few words of cordiality and I'd soon be the "perfect 36" again. Mrs. Hogan was wise in the ways of the world and was all business, so I just kept getting my little snacks before retiring.

To add a bit of local color, I'll just let the rest of my Manhattan experiences stand. All the way down on the train on my way to Washington I had sweet and cherished visions of nice big meals uninterrupted.

How sadly I was mistaken. Alas!

I checked in a boarding house on M Street about 2 p.m. on a Saturday afternoon, and after unpacking my suitcase I was introduced to the guests - my competition in the 6 o'clock potato race. Easy bait, I thought; here's where I get fat; just a bunch of white-collar government clerks. Again I'll repeat, how sadly I was mistaken, with the emphasis on the "sadly". Six o'clock came, and I found out that my New York friends were just a bunch of amateurs. These folks had finesse, technique, and what not. Afterwards one fellow to whom I talked informed me that he used to practice by stabbing at the space bar of his typewriter during the day, and he was well fed, I'll admit that.

That night I sought the whereabouts of one of Washington's own "Little Taverns". Washington did not hold much of an outlook for my poor shriveled stomach. Here I expected to see the intellectual reigning supreme, and actually found out that where starvation threatens, intellect flies out the window. In this M Street palace of Ol' King Grab, all gave way to a kindly old man, Uncle Ben, aged 80 years. He had the longest reach. It was often said that Uncle Ben could scratch his ankles without bending his knees.

Something must be done. My plight had reached the climax. But soon I was convinced that it had not, and so I remained in the very confining confines of 14-- M Street for five long years.

Then I met Mary. Mary was a tall, chubby, good natured, but not good-looking woman about my own age. I admired her accomplishments - 185 pounds and all acquired in Washington. Two weeks later we were married. And Mary proclaimed herself to be an excellent cook. What a happy man was I! This was not for long, however. Mary was an excellent cook, but my testimony remains unborn, for my stomach had shrunk to such a condition that my only permissible diet is consistent of crackers and milk, and my wife keeps getting fatter and fatter.

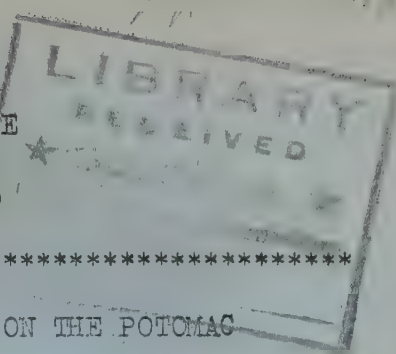


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### SPECIAL HOTEL RATES

Approximately 300 hotels have been contacted by the Exchange for special hotel rates for U. S. D. A. officials, while traveling on official business. Every day replies come pouring in and it will be only a short time until the entire list is compiled.

It is planned to have the finished list available on call at the Exchange office, 4403 South Building, on or about August 1. Watch later issues of the Exchange for further developments.

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### SATURDAY BEACH CLUB

The Saturday Afternoon Beach Club and Recreation Group held its regular Thursday meeting to discuss plans for the coming Saturday afternoon. Our group is growing all the time, with new members, new ideas, and new places to go. The transportation problem is solved, with the car owners eager to lend a hand under the new 6% finance plan we are using.

Join this lively group now, while there is no cost whatsoever except an A. R. A. card, and have the time of your life. All applications may be sent to Leigh Hibbard, BPI, Room 4944, South Building.

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Because of the tremendous pressure being put on us by our satisfied passengers, we are departing from our policy of running excursions on holiday week-ends only. A trip is being planned to New York for the August 1st week-end and two trips for Labor Day. A train will leave Union Station Friday, July 31, at 5 p.m. Tickets are good for ten days on any train returning. The round trip costs \$7.50. Watch this paper for the date tickets go on sale.

### SYMPHONIES ON THE POTOMAC

This year again there will be summer concerts at the Watergate near the Lincoln Memorial. These concerts, which were so popular with you last year, are sponsored by the Washington Summer Concerts Association. There will be 21 in all, on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, commencing July 19.

The orchestra will be under the direction of such renowned conductors as Willem van Hoogstraten, Dr. Nikolai Sokoloff, Antonia Brice, Erno Rapee, Henry Hadly, Fabien Sevitsky, Alfred Wallenstein, and Sylvan Levin.

Tickets will be the same as last summer. There will be the usual large quantity of 25-cent seats. The 50-cent and \$1 tickets are now on sale at Homer L. Kitts, 1330 G. Street, N. W.; at the A.A.A., 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.; and at the Association offices, 612 District National Bank Building, 1406 G Street, N. W., phone, DI-2345.

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### N.F.F.E. PLANS TOUR

A real vacation tour is planned by the District Locals of the National Federation of Federal Employees to New York, Niagara Falls and Canada, with a cruise on the St. Lawrence and Saguenay Rivers. This trip will cover 12 days and the all-expense fare is \$137.50. The tour starts August 15 and ends the 26th. The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is cooperating with the Federation to make this a tour of tours. Call ME-2066 for information.

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### RIDING CLUB NOTES

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Our Riding School, New Hampshire Ave. & G St., N.W., sponsors a moonlight ride for \$1.50 (2 hours). After the ride, the stable serves free beer and pretzels to those participating.

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## Legion Airings

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ing.

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derstood that the Editors reserve the  
right to rewrite or condense articles.

### DOG DAYS

A truck driver approaching a colored  
gardener with a garden hose to "bathe"  
the hot steel cab of his vehicle.

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The old fly swatter reposing inter-  
mittently on the corner of the desk.

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Lee Hibbard, BPI, wondering if the  
weather will hold out for his Saturday  
recreation group.

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A post card from a co-worker pic-  
turing a nice cool spot - "Wish you  
were here" - OH, yeah!

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A neon sign on the northern side  
of U. S. No. 1 - Rappahannock River  
Bridge - "Hot Beer", with a picture  
of a "hot dog" in the middle, visible  
only in the daytime.

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A silvery plane gliding through  
the sky, and thoughts of how the air  
is up there.

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And the only man wearing a smile --  
the ice man.

### The Perfect 36

Steamboat 'Round the Bend:

Legionnaires are prepared to make  
the moonlight cruise on Wednesday, July  
15th, one to be enjoyed by all who  
board the good ship "Potomac" on that  
night.

They hope to have their friends in  
the Department share in the fun.  
Legion activities are not entirely  
confined to honoring the dead as they  
did last May 30th in the patio of our  
splendid building. There was at least  
one spectator who felt he would have  
given anything to know some of the boys  
we left behind us in France. Why not  
share with the ones who were spared?

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Balloting Bullets:

From the current issue of American  
Legion Monthly comes this story, which  
was sent to that organ by one of our  
own legionnaires in the District:

Comrade James B. Sullivan of Fort  
Stevens Post, District of Columbia,  
revives the one about the man regaling  
his friends with his personal achieve-  
ments during the World War. "Why,  
at Chateau Thierry", he said, "bullets  
passed around me thicker than a swarm  
of bees - thousands of 'em".

"I suppose you counted them", said  
another vet.

"You're happy tootin' I did. I  
was in the ordnance department, and  
stood in the road, checking every truck  
of ammunition that passed me on the way  
to the lines."

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HOO'S HOO & HOW COME IN THE PERFECT 36

William B. Murphy

"Bill" Murphy is assistant adjutant  
and assistant everything else....He's  
always assisting...He's also uniform  
officer...He has to see to it that mem-  
bers buying uniforms are properly fitted.  
When the tailor finally says "Dot's  
poifictal", Bill pipes: "Bejebbers, take  
a look at dot sliv!"



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WHO KNOWS?

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 N. Dak. - Fargo, July 15-25  
 Ohio - Chillicothe  
       - Cincinnati  
       - Steubinsville, week-ends  
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How many fellow employees of the  
 Department can correctly answer the  
 following questions:

What color is blue grass?  
 What is a bicameral legislature?  
 What is the difference between  
     retaliation and reciprocity?  
 What states border the Great Lakes?  
 What are the "seven seas"?

A Mr. Roth of the Department  
 answered correctly the above questions  
 and won \$10.00 from a local coffee com-  
 pany on their question party over Sta-  
 tion WJSV. Mr. Roth missed on the  
 following question:

What animal has two legs and flies?

Ans. - A bat.

(Not a horse, for it must have two  
 legs.)

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ENGAGED

The engagement of Miss Doris  
 Rosenbloom, native Tennessean and  
 youngest A.A.A. employee, has been  
 announced by her parents. The lucky  
 man is Mr. Max Jeweler of Washington,  
 a member of Sigma Alpha Kappa fra-  
 ternity. The event will take place  
 in September.

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WELFARE STORE

FRYING CHICKENS

FRESH PORK AND FRESH LAMB OF ALL KINDS

SMOKED MEATS, HAMS, SHOULDERS

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SANDWICHES - CAKE AND PIES

COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS

## CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES STARTS

AUGUST 5

The softball playoff series to determine the best team in all the Agriculture leagues will commence August 5, with the winning ten representing the Department in the City Championship Series.

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### A.A.A. TEAMS CLASH

Answering the challenge of Central Production Control softballers, an All-Star team composed of members of other aggregations of the Night Force League, took C. P. C. into camp 11 to 1.

Michael pitched well for the winners, allowing but six hits. Lund's play featured the All-Stars' defense, while Marcoux led the batting attack with a homer in the first.

Girard starred for C. P. C., collecting half his team's hits.

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### OUR "SOFTIES" ROLL ON

Having taken the first-half championship of the Government League in stride, the Aggie team, crushing all opposition, is way ahead of the pack in the second half with three victories and no losses.

On to Chicago and the National Championship in September, gang. Here's hoping!

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### AGGIETTES DITTO

Chosen by local newspapers as one of the best girls' teams in the East, the Aggiettes justified the selection by copping the first-half championship of the Girls' Government League. Here are girls with a sock!

## SEVEN AGS HONORED

The Washington Herald showered glory upon Aggie softballers in its endeavor to stage an All-Star game at the Griffith Stadium. Representing the "cream of the crop" in D. C., Preheim, of Machine Tabs, and Silverman, Audit, were selected for positions on Team No. 1. Recognizing the achievements of others, the sages invited Rosenfield, Love, Casper, and Bennet to play for Team No. 2. Jimmy Hitchins was given the manager post.

Good luck, boys - and here's hoping there'll be no "Hitch-in" your playing.

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### TABS WIN FIRST HALF TITLE

With a defeat over the ever-dangerous Audit in the playoff, Machine Tabulation gained first-half honors in the Early Day League. Keen competition has resulted throughout in hard-fought games in this league.

The second half finds Central Control at the helm with the other tens close on its heels.

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### HITS AND ERRORS

Hit: Girls' team tied the Baltimore Champs, 4 to 4, in the nite game at Baltimore.

Error: Aggies lost to Besche Bros. 5 to 4, same place, same nite.

Hit: Both Aggies and Aggiettes have been offered games in Portsmouth, Atlantic City, New York, Trenton, Lancaster, and Baltimore.

Ah me, for the life of a baseball player!



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PROGRAMS FOR THE WATERGATE CONCERTS

Friday, July 24, 1936

Alfred Wallenstein, Conductor  
Joseph Coleman, Violinist

Overture to "Merry Wives of Windsor"--  
Nicolai

Concerto for Violin and Orchestra in  
E Minor--Mendelssohn

Intermission

Tone Poem, "Don Juan"--Richard Strauss  
Nocturne and Scherzo from "A Midsummer  
Night's Dream"--Mendelssohn  
Ride of the Walkyries -- Wagner

Sunday, July 26, 1936

Antonia Brico, Conductor

Coriolanus Overture -- Beethoven  
Symphony No. 3 (Eroica) -- Beethoven

Intermission

Death and Transfiguration -- Strauss  
Traume -- Wagner  
Entrance of the Gods into --  
Valhalla -- Wagner

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DRAMA GUILD PRESENTS 3-ACT PLAY

"Down and Up", a three-act comedy  
by Wilbur Braun, will be presented by  
the Drama Guild in the air-cooled audi-  
torium on July 30 and 31 at 8:15 p.m.

After seeing the fine performances  
given by the "Guilders" in their last  
appearance, there is no doubt that the  
auditorium will again be filled to  
capacity. Add to that - the excellent  
air-conditioning which makes it a  
most comfortable place to spend a  
sweltering July night; and we predict  
that the S. R. O. sign will be hung  
out early. Admission is free. Come  
early and join the fun.

In preparation are some one-act  
plays for future presentation.

DEPARTMENT ORCHESTRA TO PLAY  
RUSSIAN MUSIC

There was standing room only when  
the last concert was presented. It  
will be S. R. O. again next Tuesday,  
July 28, at 8:30 p.m. in the air-cooled  
Department Auditorium, when Dr. Walter  
Bauer conducts his famous orchestra.

The program features the Second  
Symphony of Borodine, a fine but  
rarely played work. Other interesting  
but more familiar numbers on the pro-  
gram are the Andante Cantabile from  
the string quartet Op. 11 by  
Tchaikowsky, the "Gopak" (Russian  
Dance) and the tone-poem "Night on  
Bald Mountain", both by Moussorgsky,  
the "Musical Snuff Box" by Liadow and  
the "Legend of the Tsar Saltan"  
by Rimsky-Korsakow.

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COMING NEXT WEEK

\*\*\*A non-competitive civil service ex-  
amination was given for speed steno-  
graphers, grade CAF-5. Read about the  
results next week.

\*\*\*The King of Egypt is sponsoring a  
\$100,000 contest in which some of the  
Department of Agriculture experts  
should be interested. It is no fad,  
but a serious national problem. Read  
the EXCHANGE next week.

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WHERE TO BUY POSTAGE STAMPS

Most bureaus have discontinued the  
sale of postage stamps in the file  
rooms, so the Welfare Association  
has purchased two machines. One of  
them is in the lunch room on the 6th  
floor. Another is on order and will  
be placed in the Welfare Store, room  
22, Administration Building.

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by phone or in person. A regular meet-  
ing is held every Wednesday, immediately  
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The EXCHANGE ceases to be a literary  
journal with this issue. We have room  
for material of all kinds. We want  
news of the activities: the Graduate  
School, the Welfare Association, the  
musical and dramatic activities, the  
Athletic and Recreational Association,  
and all activities that should interest  
Agriculture employees. Writers and con-  
tributors are invited to cooperate.

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CALL ISSUED FOR EXCHANGE WRITERS

The EXCHANGE is going to grow under  
its new policy. It needs young people  
to assist in the editorial work for an  
hour or two each week. Wednesday is  
the staff day. If interested, drop in  
at room 4403 South Building this Wed-  
nesday, or any Wednesday, at 4:45 p.m.

WATERGATE CONCERTS ATTRACT  
WASHINGTONIANS

The season of "symphonies on the  
Potomac" at the Watergate, near the  
Lincoln Memorial opened Sunday night,  
July 19. In the succeeding concerts  
on Wednesday, July 22 and Friday,  
July 24, the orchestra will be again  
conducted by one of the most famous of  
present-day conductors in America,  
Alfred Wallenstein, recognized as one  
of the world's most distinguished  
cellists.

It is in his capacity as director  
of music for the "Sinfonietta" and  
"String Symphony" programs over Station  
WOR, however, that he is universally  
known to radio audiences, and as con-  
ductor of symphony orchestras, he has  
become celebrated through his recent  
success at the Hollywood Bowl. Mr.  
Wallenstein has chosen three programs  
of rare musical value for this first  
series of concerts in Washington at the  
Watergate this summer. Beethoven's  
immortal Fifth Symphony was the high-  
light of the initial concert; on  
Wednesday, there will be as guest  
soloist, Eunice Norton, pianist; and  
on Friday as guest soloist, Joseph  
Coleman, violinist.

The construction of a newly de-  
signed orchestral stage at the water's  
edge insures an even better hearing of  
the music than last season, and the  
location of this stage partly over the  
water and partly on the roadway, will  
bring the musicians nearer to the vast  
audiences attending the concerts.  
There will be 500 seats in the special  
reserved section at \$1 each; 2500  
seats in the 50¢ section; and 4,000 in  
the general admission section priced  
at 25¢, as last season.

The sale of undated tickets in books  
of 24, 12, and 6 offers possibility to  
the holder of using the tickets at any  
of the concerts, one or more at a time,  
as he pleases.

Tickets are available at the Homer L.  
Kitt Company, the American Automobile  
Association, and at the offices of the  
Washington Summer Concerts Association,  
Room 612, District National Bank Bldg.



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 Nebraska - Omaha  
 New York - Ithaca  
               - Rochester, August 8  
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               - Pittsburgh, July 25-31  
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Those persons who were our guests on  
 our July Fourth Excursion to New York  
 City were universally pleased with the  
 fast service and the unusual feature of  
 the trip, which was the low bargain  
 fare and the privilege of returning at  
 their own convenience on any train  
 within ten days time. So much pressure  
 has been put on us by our satisfied  
 patrons that we are departing from our  
 policy of operating on holiday week-  
 ends only and will run about one trip  
 a month in the future. The next trip  
 will be for Labor Day, and about one  
 each month thereafter. The trip  
 scheduled for August 1 has been cen-  
 celed.

Leave Washington, Friday, September  
 4, at 5 p.m., or Saturday, Septem-  
 ber 5, at 2 p.m.

Return on any train within ten days.

ROUND TRIP PASSAGE - \$7.50

Tickets must be purchased in advance.  
 Watch this paper for further details.

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## NEW LOCATION OF BANK AND OTHER BUSINESSES

Attendant with the razing of the  
 business street in the rear of the  
 South Building, many of the stores  
 were forced to move to nearby loca-  
 tions. Buses run about every fifteen  
 minutes and pass through the heart of  
 the new section, which is along 12th  
 Street, S. W. The route is north on  
 14th, east in front of the Adminis-  
 tration Building, and south on 12th  
 Street to the water front.

To avoid overcrowding on pay days,  
 the McLachlen bank will accept de-  
 posits by mail or handle your account  
 through a power of attorney. This is  
 effected by having your check go  
 direct to the bank if it is given  
 authority. The bank will mail the  
 depositor a deposit slip. When de-  
 positing by mail, duplicate slips  
 should be included, one of which will  
 be returned by the bank.

Special Announcement

LABOR DAY WEEKEND ALL-EXPENSE  
TOUR TO NEW YORK CITY

Leave Washington Saturday, September 5,  
at 2 p.m.

Arrive New York Saturday, September 5,  
at 6 p.m.

Transfer station to the hotel; room  
with bath, 2 nights, 2 persons to a  
room, 2 breakfasts, 2 luncheons,  
2 dinners at the hotel; choice of  
1 dinner at the Paradise Night Club  
or ticket to legitimate theater;  
3-hour show at Music Hall; guided  
tour of NBC Studio; Observation  
Roof RCA Building, 2-hour sight-  
seeing trip.

Leave New York at your convenience on  
any PRR train within ten days, or with  
party in private air-cooled coaches.

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DETAILS.

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Why is the Exchange so late these  
two weeks? This is vacation time and  
many employees of the duplicating sec-  
tion are on vacation. Let us be  
patient.

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THE U. S. CIVIL SERVICE

HEAD PHOTOGRAPHER, \$2,600 a year;  
PRINCIPAL PHOTOGRAPHER, \$2,300 a year;  
SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER, \$2,000 a year.  
Closing date, July 27, 1936.

PHOTOGRAPHER (WET PLATE), or (DRY PLATE),  
\$1,800 a year; ASSISTANT PHOTOGRAPHER  
(WET PLATE), or (DRY PLATE), \$1,620 a  
year; JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHER (WET PLATE),  
or (DRY PLATE), \$1,440 a year; UNDER  
PHOTOGRAPHER (WET PLATE), or (DRY PLATE),  
\$1,260 a year. Age, under 53 years.  
Closing date, July 27, 1936.

INSPECTOR OF SCALES AND WEIGHING,  
\$2,600 a year; ASSISTANT INSPECTOR OF  
SCALES AND WEIGHING, \$2,000 a year.  
Age, under 45. Closing date, July 27,  
1936.

PRINCIPAL LITHOGRAPHIC DRAFTSMAN,  
\$2,300 a year; SENIOR LITHOGRAPHIC  
DRAFTSMAN, \$2,000 a year; LITHOGRAPHIC  
DRAFTSMAN, \$2,300 a year; SENIOR LITHO-  
GRAPHIC DRAFTSMAN, \$2,000 a year;  
LITHOGRAPHIC DRAFTSMAN, \$1,800 a year;  
ASSISTANT LITHOGRAPHIC DRAFTSMAN,  
\$1,620 a year. Age, assistant grade,  
under 45; other grades, under 53.  
Closing date July 27, 1936

CHIEF TOPOGRAPHIC DRAFTSMAN, \$2,600  
a year; PRINCIPAL TOPOGRAPHIC DRAFTS-  
MAN, \$2,300 a year; SENIOR TOPOGRAPHIC  
DRAFTSMAN, \$2,000 a year; TOPOGRAPHIC  
DRAFTSMAN, \$1,800 a year. Age, under  
53 years. Closing date, July 27, 1936.

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Employed mother wishes two room,  
kitchen and bath apartment in house  
with some one who would take care of  
5-year-old girl during the day. Must  
be reasonable. Not necessary to locate  
until September.

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WELFARE STORE SPECIALS

Department Whipping Cream.....30¢

Department Table Cream.....20¢

Cold Cuts of All Varieties



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# EXAMINATIONS FOR THE U.S. CIVIL SERVICE

EXTENSION SPECIALIST IN PARENT EDUCATION, \$4,600 a year. Department of Agriculture. Age, under 53. Closing date, August 10.

JUNIOR HOME ECONOMICS SPECIALIST, \$2,000 a year, Bureau of Home Economics. Optional subjects: Foods, nutrition, clothing, textiles, economics, and household equipment. Age, under 35. Closing date, August 3.

FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER, \$3,200 a year, Forest Service. Age, at least 25, but under 53. Closing date, August 3.

STUDENT AID, \$1,440 a year, Soil Conservation Service. Optional subjects: Agricultural engineering, agronomy, biology, farm management, forestry, horticulture, range management, and soils. Age, under 30. Closing date, August 10.

DISTRICT REFUGE ADMINISTRATOR, \$3,800 a year, Bureau of Biological Survey. Age, under 53. Closing date, August 10.

MARINE SURVEYOR (formerly called ASSISTANT INSPECTOR OF HULLS AND ASSISTANT INSPECTOR OF BOILERS), \$2,900 a year, Department of Commerce. Optional branches: Hulls, engines and boilers, diesel, and electrical. Age, at least 25, but under 43. Closing date, August 10.

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## SWIMMING MEET ANNOUNCED

The Inter-Departmental Water Polo and Swimming League announces its second swimming meet of the season at the Maryland Club Gardens on the Marlboro Pike, July 31, 7:30 p.m. Both men's and women's teams are to be entered.

Entries close July 29. Although there is no fee, contestants must present League cards. Applicants may address Mr. William J. Stephenson, Chairman, Contests Committee, I.W.S.L., 4716 3rd Place, N.W., Washington, D.C.

## DEPARTMENT ORCHESTRA POSTPONES CONCERT

For various reasons the program of Russian Music scheduled by the Department Orchestra for July 28, had to be postponed. A definite date has not been set as yet, but it will be announced sufficiently in advance.

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## WATERGATE CONCERTS ANNOUNCED

Wednesday, July 29, 1936

Antonia Brico, Conductor

Symphony in D Minor--Franck  
Intermission

Les Eolides--Franck

Tales of the Vienna Woods--Johann Strauss

Russian Easter Overture--Rimsky-Korsakoff

Friday, July 31, 1936

Antonia Brico, Conductor

Symphony No. 4--Brahms

Intermission

Two Nocturnes--Debussy

Stenka Razin--Glazounov

Sunday, August 2, 1936

Erno Rapee, Conductor

Soloist, Jan Pearce, Tenor

Overture to "The Marriage of Figaro"--Mozart

Wiener Blut--Johann Strauss

O Paradiso, from

"L'Africaine"--Meyerbeer

Vesti La Giubba, from

"Pagliacci"--Leoncavallo

Jan Pearce

Roumanian Rhapsody--Enesco

Intermission

Wotan's Farewell, and Magic Fire

Music, from "Die Walkure"--Wagner

Winterstürme, from first act of

"Die Walkure"--Wagner

Walter's Prize Song, from

"Die Meistersinger"--Wagner

Jan Pearce

Overture to "Tannhauser"--Wagner

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ABOUT BREVITY

The Duplicating Section is clogged  
with work. This single sheet will give  
them a chance to catch up. Much material  
had to be omitted from the present  
issue, but will be used next week.

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ARA'S KEEP COOL

To swim in the Glen Echo, Airport,  
Chevy Chase, or Maryland Club Gardens  
pools costs ARA members only 25 cents.  
Send a note to Mrs. E. Romero, BAE,  
3531 South Building, requesting a mem-  
bership application. DO NOT PHONE OR  
CALL IN PERSON.

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ARA MEMBERS ONLY!

The Ambassador Pool Health Centre  
invites ARA members to join its organi-  
zation at only \$1 a year. This special  
rate includes instruction if desired.

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COMING

\*\*\*An all-expense excursion to New York  
for Labor Day.

\*\*\*Two trains for round trip to N.Y.C.,  
Labor Day week-end - \$7.50.

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LOST

One black leather billfold, between  
Woodward and Lothrop Department Store  
and the Department of Agriculture,  
Friday, July 17. See Alfred E. Degroot,  
Room 2906 South Building.

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Messrs. Goehrig and Snyder: Get in  
touch with Mrs. Romero, ARA Treasurer,  
Br. 2259. Membership cards are waiting.  
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MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

Transportation Wanted To -

Calif. - August 19  
Ill. - Chicago, July 31; August 1;  
August 8; 13; Sept. 5.  
- West Frankfort, August 26  
- Galesburg, August 1  
Iowa - August  
Mass. - Boston  
Mich. - Detroit, August 1  
Minn. - Minneapolis, Aug. 8; 13  
- St. Paul, Aug. 8  
Mo. - Kansas City, Aug. 1  
- St. Louis, Aug. 1; 26.  
Neb. - Omaha  
N. Y. - Ithaca, Aug.  
- Buffalo, July 31  
- Rochester, Aug. 8  
N. C. - Asheville, Aug. 1  
Ohio - Chillicothe  
- Cincinnati  
- Steubenville, week-ends  
Ore. - Portland, Aug. 1  
Pa. - Meadville, Aug. 1  
- Pittsburgh, Aug.  
S.D. - Aberdeen, July 31  
Tenn. - Memphis, Aug.  
Utah - Salt Lake City, Aug. 1  
Va. - Warsaw, week-ends  
W. Va. - Elkins  
Wisc. - Milwaukee, Aug. 1

Transportation Offered To -

Calif. - Aug. 1  
Idaho - July 31  
Ill. - Champaign, Aug. 29  
- Indianapolis, Aug. 1  
Iowa - Waterloo, Aug. 1  
Mich. - Grand Rapids, Aug. 31  
Mo. - Kansas City, Aug. 1  
Neb. - Lincoln  
N. J. - Atlantic City, July 31; Aug. 14  
N. Y. - Ithaca, Aug.  
- Rome, Aug.  
- N. Y. C., July 31  
Okla. - Aug. 1  
Pa. - Carlisle, week-ends  
- Pittsburgh, Aug. 8  
- Wilkes Barre, Aug. 7  
Texas - Dallas, Aug. 15  
Utah - Salt Lake City, Aug. 1  
Va. - Hampton, week-ends  
- Richmond, week-ends

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EXCLUSIVE TO THE EXCHANGE:

EGYPT OFFERS \$100,000.00 TO RID ITSELF OF PLAGUE!  
ENTOMOLOGISTS INTERESTED!

Striving to rid itself of a pest that may be a throwback to one of the plagues visited upon the subjects of Pharaoh in biblical times, the Royal Agricultural Society of Egypt is sponsoring a \$100,000. prize competition for the discovery of a preventative remedy for the cotton leaf worm, which has been a great blight upon that nation's cotton crop.

According to information supplied by Ali Foad Toulba, the Egyptian Consul at San Francisco, applicants must belong to a recognized scientific body, or be recognized by such a body, to compete.

The remedy must protect the cotton plant against attack by the cotton leaf worm (*Prodenia litura*) so that no white blotches caused by the eggs or larvae will appear, without being injurious to persons, animals, or the plant. In addition, the cost of the remedy must not be prohibitive.

Applicants must accept the decision of the judges as final. In case of two remedies proving equally efficacious, the prize will be split. Contestants need purchase nothing, neither must they supply any cigar coupons. The only catch attached is that all remedies must be the object of six (6) years of experimentation, before any award is paid. Additional information may be secured by writing the Consul.

EXAMINATIONS FOR THE  
U. S. CIVIL SERVICE

SENIOR SOIL CONSERVATIONIST (FARM PLANNING), \$4,600; SOIL CONSERVATIONIST (FARM PLANNING), \$3,800; ASSOCIATE SOIL CONSERVATIONIST (FARM PLANNING), \$3,200; ASSISTANT SOIL CONSERVATIONIST (FARM PLANNING), \$2,600; Soil Conservation Service. Age: Under 53 for two highest; under 50 for associate; and under 40 for assistant. Closing date, August 24.

SHORTHAND SPEED CLASS OPENS  
SEPTEMBER 15

On September 15, the Graduate School's Shorthand Speed Class, designed to develop speed in the more technical vocabularies and to prepare people for positions requiring speedy and accurate note-taking, will hold its first session.

Each student registering is required to pass a non-technical entrance examination at 100 words a minute, with an accuracy grade of at least 90 percent. Admission cards to the examination room can be obtained from the School, Room 4090 South Building.

According to Dr. A. F. Woods, Director of the School, about 140 people attended the class last semester. Of these, approximately 60 took the special Civil Service stenography examination at a speed of 150 words a minute. Those passing are placed on a special register and are given a CAF-5 rating.

MOONLIGHT RIDE

PLACE: Indian Springs Riding Stable, Four Corners, Md.

TIME: 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 4.

PRICE: \$1.00 for entire evening.

Bus Service - Refreshments  
IMPORTANT - Advise Mrs. Stehr, Branch 523, if you are going, no later than Tuesday a.m.

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NO BUSINESS DURING OFFICE HOURS.

WITH THE EDITOR

Every editor of this paper has declared against business being conducted during office hours. Still, the readers persist in making phone calls and calling at the editorial office, where they find no one, for we all have our regular jobs. A letter would do just as well. \*\*\* Staff meeting is Wednesday, after work. There are vacancies on the staff. \*\*\* We apologize for speaking too strongly in a recent editorial. We did not mean to cast reflection upon our predecessor. He is our good friend. IF HE EATS WITH HIS RIGHT HAND AND WE ADVOCATE EATING WITH OUR LEFT, WE ARE STILL GOOD FRIENDS, THOUGH WE DIFFER IN METHOD.

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SAVINGS THROUGH BUYING CLUB

#14548 - Watch .....	\$ 8.75
#14591 - Vacuum Cleaner .....	17.85
#14608 - China .....	13.75
#14617 - Coal .....	6.00
#14618 - Radio Attachment .....	3.30
#13002 - 1/2 Doz. Teaspoons ...	2.50
#14608 - Furniture .....	80.00
#14607 - Furniture .....	215.00
#14583 - Tires .....	7.46
#14565 - Automobile .....	123.00
#14565 - Automobile Finance ...	70.00
#14650 - Radio .....	17.48
#14669 - Electric Razor .....	3.00
#14667 - Electric Fan & Iron ...	5.47
#14660 - Electric Clock .....	1.06

For application address Mrs. E. E. Romero, BAE, Room 3531. NO PHONE CALLS OR PERSONAL CALLS DURING OFFICE HOURS.

IMPENDING TRACK MEET

Plans are under way for the annual Track and Field Championship Meet, set tentatively for September 12.

Tech Field is available for practice, with dressing facilities at McKinley Pool, says Yank Robbins.

Citing the fine showing Agriculture has made, Robbins hopes that participants will begin practice early.

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HIBBARD ANNOUNCES RECREATION PLANS

Due to ill health, Leigh Hibbard, BPI, Room 4944, has resigned as head of the Saturday Afternoon Beach and Recreation Club. Although unable to continue in this capacity, he hopes that someone will take over the work of the group.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Monday, August 3, in Room 0712, South Building. Plans will be discussed for a prospective trip to Shadyside, Md., the latter part of August, and for purchase of a sail boat for the club.

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BOWLING

The Inter-Bureau Duckpin League will inaugurate its 22nd season at Rosslyn Alleys September 10, continuing each Thursday thereafter until May 13. Teams desiring to have details should write John A. Ferrall, League Manager, 4647 South Building. The handicap system (70%) is used by the League.

The annual meeting will be held August 31 at 4:40 p.m. in Room 4647 South Building. All bowlers are welcome. Bowlers averaging better than 100 stand an excellent chance of being assigned to teams. Mail name, address and average to Mr. Ferrall.

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WELFARE STORE

Cream (Plenty)	
1 Pint Bottle Tomato Juice.....	10¢
Huylers Candy, assorted - 1 lb...	49¢
2 lb...	89¢



# AT THE WATERGATE

Wednesday, August 5, 1936

Erno Rapee, Conductor  
Soloist, Viola Philo, Soprano

Overture to "The Bartered  
Bride" -- Smetana  
(Air for the G String -- Bach  
(Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring-- Bach  
(Fetes -- Debussy  
(Suicidio, from "La Forza del  
Destino" -- Verdi  
(Voi Lo Sapete, from  
"Cavalleria Rusticana"-Mascagni  
Viola Philo

## INTERMISSION

Bolero -- Ravel  
(Dich, Theure Halle, from  
"Tannhauser" Wagner  
(Traume, from "Tristan und  
Isolde" Wagner  
(Wiener Fiakerlied Traditional  
Overture to "Rienzi" Wagner

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Since when have all the people got  
so operatic minded? Do you realize  
that of the many hundreds of employes  
in the Dept. only a few care to read  
or hear of this stuff? Further they  
can hear about it from the papers.

I note your note on the second page  
regarding the omission on account of  
someone being too busy. If the news  
you had to print is on the order of  
what has been done, Thank Goodness it  
wasn't.

I am returning a copy which I re-  
ceived; probably you would like to keep  
this as one of your masterpieces.

A Former Exchange Reader

(Editor's Note: We welcome brick-  
bats, bouquets, and suggestions. What  
is your reaction to this? We know of  
about twenty-five people in our small  
bureau who are "operatic-minded".)

## TRANSPORTATION WANTED TO -

Calif. - Aug. 19  
- San Francisco  
Ga. - Atlanta, Aug. 7  
Ill. - Carthage, Aug. 23  
- Chicago, Aug. 7; 17;  
Sept. 5.  
- West Frankfort, Aug. 26  
Ind. - LaFayette, Aug. 22  
Iowa - Davenport, August 15-30  
Md. - Hagerstown, week-end  
Minn. - Minneapolis, Aug. 8  
Mo. - St. Louis, Aug. 26  
- Sedalia, Sept. 5  
Mont. - Aug. 15  
Neb. - Omaha  
N. Y. - Rochester, Aug. 8  
Ohio - Cincinnati, Aug. 8  
- Steubenville, week-end  
- Cleveland, week-end  
- Chillicothe  
Penna. - Pittsburgh, Sept. 5  
- Reading  
- Meadville, Aug. 15  
N. J. - Atlantic City  
Tenn. - Memphis, Aug.  
Va. - Warsaw, week-ends  
W. Va. - Parkersburg, Aug. 7-8

## TRANSPORTATION OFFERED TO -

Ala. - Birmingham, Aug. 16  
Ill. - Champaign, Aug. 29  
- Paris, Aug. 8  
- Ames, Aug. 15  
Iowa - Des Moines, Aug. 15  
Mass. - Boston, Sept. 4  
Mo. - Kansas City, Aug. 27  
N. Y. - Ithaca, Aug. 15-20  
- Syracuse, Aug. 8  
Penna. - Carlisle, week-ends  
- Philadelphia, week-ends  
- Pittsburgh, Aug. 8  
- Wilkes Barre, Aug 7; 15  
S. D. - Watertown, Aug. 15  
- Sioux Falls, Aug. 15  
Texas - Dallas, Aug. 15  
Utah - Salt Lake City, Aug. 15  
Va. - Hampton, week-ends  
- Norfolk  
- Richmond  
Wisc. - Madison, Aug 15.

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THE SPORTLITE,  
BY JAMES L. HITCHENS

TRACK - The team is training for the AAU-Govt. Track Meet, which they hope to win for the third consecutive year. Together with the Washington Track and Field Team, they defeated U. S. Naval Academy, 63½ to 53½, at Annapolis on July 25. Latest addition is McNalley, Holy Cross star.

SOFTBALL - Playoff series begins this week. Clearance, CPC, Corn-Hog Audit, Ad & M, Central Supply, SCS, and Mach-Tab. will probably fight for the championship. Winner will play in city series. \*\*\* Several all-star teams have been organized from bureau teams. \*\*\* The Farm Credit game is the last we must win to capture the Herald-Govt. League pennant once again. Here's hoping. \*\*\* Abe Rosenfield, whirlwind pitcher who helped send us to Chicago last year, is retiring from Government service. He'll be missed, but there are other good players. \*\*\* Lightcap of Corn-Hog Audit is recovering in Emergency from a broken leg suffered at play last week.

BASEBALL - Members of the disbanded Department team playing for Walter O'Connell's AAA Team are Weigel, Adkins, Murphy, Love, and Benner.

FISHING - An ill wind blew in the wrong direction last week, so some of the boys who went to Reedsville, Va., returned downcast. Being planned is a trip to Florida. Tell us some more, Tom.

TENNIS - Agriculture leads Government at this time, so we expect another trophy.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL - The U. S. Aggiettes have finished two series without defeat and have won the first of the last. While they expect to go to Chicago in September, Coach Hitchens is worrying over finances.

COLORED BASEBALL TEAM - The boys are now on a winning streak, taking four of the last five games.

WOMEN'S TENNIS LEAGUE

Plans are now under way for the Finals Tournament to be held during the last week of August. The eight or ten top players on team one will be eligible for participation. Names of contestants will be posted in the EXCHANGE.

HITCHENS TO RESIGN

James L. Hitchens, athletic coach, has handed his resignation to Pres. Pryor of the ARA, effective with the end of the softball season. While no reason was given, we understand he is desirous of getting back to boys club work.

ARA'S NEW SECRETARY

We take space to congratulate James Lyman (AAA) who was elected secretary at the last meeting of the Executive Council.

ARA CONSTITUTION TO BE AMENDED

A meeting of the ARA for purposes of amending the constitution will be held August 11 in Room 0712. All are invited.

AMERICAN LEGION'S NEXT MEETING

Last meeting before the Department Convention will be held on Friday night, August 7. It will be the only August meeting.

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Maryland Club Gardens offers its facilities to ARA members only, in groups of twenty or more, to dine, dance and swim, at the cost of \$1.50 per person, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays excepted. The management must be notified several days in advance.

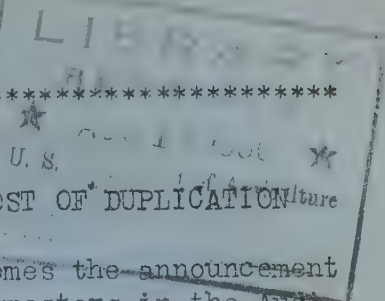
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The EXCHANGE has some interesting news for the lady who ran an "ad" for an apartment, if she will write.

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See next week's EXCHANGE for announcement of excursions to N. Y. Labor Day.





GRADUATE SCHOOL BEGINS PUBLICATION OF ECONOMICS COURSES

BOOKS TO BE SOLD FOR COST OF DUPLICATION

From Dr. A. F. Woods, Director of the Graduate School, comes the announcement that publication of the lectures given during the past two semesters in the Auditorium under the titles, "Current Economic Problems", and "Relation of Government to Economic Life", is getting under way this week.

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HOTEL LIST UNDER WAY

Unforeseen obstacles have delayed the compilation of the list of hotels offering special rates to our employes. These difficulties having been eliminated, the list is now under way and will be ready for distribution within a short time. All previous requests will be filled as soon as possible. Bear with us!

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"DOWN AND UP" A SUCCESS

With the three-act farce; "Down and Up", presented a week ago Thursday and Friday, the Drama Division forged ahead in the opinions of the spectators who filled the auditorium on both nights. The plot involved a confusion of mistaken identities, in which the players had their many ups and downs, but came to a successful conclusion.

At very infrequent intervals, the action seemed to lag, but on the whole it was a well rounded performance. Among the players who stood out were Walter Reser, Beatrice Sands, and A. Wm. Waldman. Viola Randolph directed the production. Credit should go to Ted Cadwallader for constructing the set. The club is casting for a program of one-act plays. We hope to see greater glory come to it through those that will partake. (Joe Klein)

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DRAMA DIVISION TO MEET

A business meeting of the Drama Division of the Musical and Dramatic Guild will be held in the auditorium at 4:45 August 17. All persons interested in acting are invited to attend.

The two courses are to be bound together under one binder of durable material. They will sell for one dollar at the offices of the School, Room 4090 South Building. The supply will be limited so those interested are advised to reserve copies now by sending in their dollars.

The lectures were given by leading national authorities in their respective fields.

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CIRCULARS TO BE DISTRIBUTED  
ONLY ON APPLICATION

Any one desiring a copy of the 1936-37 program of courses conducted by the Graduate School of the Department of Agriculture may obtain a copy in Room 4090, either by appearing in person or requesting same by telephone, Branch 317.

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TWO EXCURSION TRAINS TO NEW YORK  
FOR LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Plans are being made for two trains to New York City for the Labor Day weekend. One will leave Union Station at 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 4, and the other Saturday, September 5, at 2:00 p.m. Passengers will have the privilege of returning on any train within ten days, at their own convenience. The round trip will cost \$7.50. Tickets will go on sale September 1, 2, 3, and 4, at the Pennsylvania RR ticket office on 14th Street. For the convenience of Agriculture employes only, a supply of tickets will be kept here. Watch for further details, including an all-expense tour.

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WITH THE EDITOR

Mr. K. represents an extreme case. He would be our staunchest standard bearer if we would publish articles of a political, social, or economic nature. We admire his idealism, not his shortsightedness. Regardless of our personal views, we cannot permit the EXCHANGE to be such a medium. The primary purpose of this paper is to promote the employe activities. WE SHALL SHY AWAY FROM CONTROVERSIAL MATTERS NOT INVOLVING SUCH ACTIVITIES.

There are others though - and this is the more common case - who submit various types of material for publication which we cannot use. Some items may be too long; others contrary to our policy; and some in bad taste. Some readers take offense because we have condensed their material. They will point to other items published and doubt their worth. Let us omit some of the material whose worth is questioned. Immediately we evoke a storm of protests. WE CANNOT SERVE A MULTIPLICITY OF MASTERS, SO WE WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE JUDGE OF WHAT SHALL BE GIVEN SPACE.

Material for submission to the EXCHANGE must be brief, interesting, and relative. Stories concerning employe welfare activities directly will be given preference.

A well known official told us that we will know there is interest in the paper by the number of complaints we get, and the enemies we make. WE REGRET THE ENEMIES; WE APPRECIATE THE COMPLAINTS.

\*\*\*A lady in the street car had two copies of your paper in her hand. Some complain because they cannot get one.

DO YOU KNOW???

We quote from the Department "Regulations", Section 1546:

\*\*\*although the Department will not permit itself to be used as a collection agency, it will not consider as a fit employe anyone who contracts a just debt and then, without sufficient excuse, neglects to make payment. Therefore, upon receipt of a complaint of non-payment of a debt it will be referred to the proper chief of bureau, who will obtain a report in writing from the employe concerned which, together with a summary of the conclusions reached by the chief of the bureau in the matter, will be made a part of the official record in his case and considered by the bureau committee on efficiency and promotions in making up the efficiency register. The chief of bureau may recommend to the Secretary that charges be preferred against an employe who contracts a just debt and then, without sufficient or reasonable cause, neglects or avoids payment thereof.

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PARK SERVICE AND WELFARE EMPLOYEES  
ELIGIBLE FOR ARA MEMBERSHIP

According to a recent interpretation of the ARA Constitution, guards, elevator operators, and others employed by the Park Service in Agriculture, and Welfare Association employes are eligible for membership in the ARA upon payment of 25 cents dues.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Editor's Note:

Not one letter was received supporting "Former Exchange Reader's" complaint.

Dear Sir:

I have just read today's issue, and note A Former Exchange Reader's rather disagreeable letter about your references to the opera. He or she must be a genial soul! My reaction to such a letter is to shout into editorial ears, long and loud, in an appeal for continued references to good music, good plays, good fun, and all the things that help take our minds from worries and such like.

My opinion of the Exchange is that you are carrying a very well balanced assortment of news. Please don't be discouraged by such an acid outlook upon good music as the Former Reader displays. We can all stand up under more of the nicer things that life can offer.

Katherine Rowland

\*\*\*I know of quite a "few" who are interested only in your notes about music, but they don't complain about the other stuff in your paper; ---- they don't read it!

Henry Hartung

\*\*\*Judging from the thousands of people who attend the concerts at the Watergate, I am afraid that the writer woefully underestimates the number of people who are fond of good music.

Jane A. Hodgkins

\*\*\*Recreation isn't made up entirely of physical satisfactions featuring a car ride to the country, a boat ride down the Potomac, or a game of golf on the turf. What about those artistic beauties of the masterpieces that elevate the soul, stir the heart and bring rest to a tired mind that has ground itself into the ruts of routine Government services?

An Exchange Reader

## WATERGATE CONCERTS UNDETERMINED

Due to the illness of Conductor Erno Rapee, a shift has been made necessary in the concerts planned. At the time of going to press, the programs were not available.

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## RECREATION GROUP PLANS OUTING

Tentative plans have been made for an all-expense outing to Shadyside, Md., to take place about August 31, according to Leigh Hibbard. The cost would be about two dollars per capita and would include transportation, a real southern style cooked dinner, and a round of fun and recreation. Persons furnishing their own transportation will pay \$1.50. Car owners willing to carry passengers will receive 50 cents per person. The success of this venture is contingent upon the number of car owners participating. Write Hibbard care of the B.P.I.

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## CREDIT UNION DRIVES FOR MEMBERS

Loan sharks and usurers have found business bad since the Agriculture Credit Union was set up. Any Department employe may become a member and apply for a loan at a low rate of interest.

The Union is wholly cooperative, officers serving without compensation. Stockholders have been receiving dividends of 6%. Stock in the Credit Union ranks in security with U. S. Government Bonds. The books are examined periodically under the direction of the Comptroller of the Currency, U.S. Treasury.

Loans are made only to members in good standing from the accumulated savings of the stockholders, for such provident purposes as medical and dental expenses, bills, rent, taxes, insurance, and the like.

The Credit Union can place more loans than it has available capital for. It invites investors. About 1054 members have invested about \$27,000. Information may be obtained at the office, Room 1041.

# FOUR POOLS SERVE A.R.A.

Four pools now offer special discounts to A.R.A. members. Membership card plus 25 cents admits one to Glen Echo, Airport, Maryland Club Gardens, or Chevy Chase Pool. Get your card now by sending 25 cents annual dues to Mrs. E. Romero, B.A.E., 3531 South Building. DO NOT PHONE OR CALL IN PERSON!

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## CALL FOR TRACK CANDIDATES

The Olympics notwithstanding, the Department of Agriculture's track men will have their own fling at fame and fun when the Inter-Departmental Track meet is held on Saturday, September 12.

Judged by their performances this year, the Treasury and F.B.I. teams will be gunning for the Aggies, winners of the meet on two previous occasions.

"Yank" Robbins reports that Tech field is available for practice, with dressing facilities at Tech Pool.

Prospective contestants are urged to send their names and the events they will enter to Homer E. Pryor, Room 0712, South Building.

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## MOONLIGHT RIDE A SUCCESS

Twenty-five members of the Riding Club attended the moonlight ride held Tuesday evening, August 4, at Four Corners, Maryland.

According to Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, it was the best organized ride of the season, far exceeding expectations both as to the number of people attending and the enthusiasm evinced by the members for another ride in the near future.

Dues are 25 cents a year in addition to A.R.A. membership.

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We sincerely hope that Leigh Hibbard, B.P.I., will recover quickly from an infected ear, which has been the cause of his discontinuance with the Saturday Afternoon Beach Club.

## TRANSPORTATION WANTED TO -

- Calif. - Los Angeles, Aug 19; Sept. 15
- San Francisco
- Ill. - Carthage, Aug. 23 - Chicago, Sept. 5; Aug. 13 - Hoopeston, Aug. 22 - West Frankfort, Aug. 26
- Mass. - Boston, Aug. 15-17; Sept. 4
- Mich. - Detroit, Aug 21
- Battle Creek, Aug. 31
- Minn. - Minneapolis, Sept. 1; Aug. 13
- Mo. - Sedalia, Sept. 5
- Neb. - Omaha
- N. J. - Atlantic City, Aug. 14
- N. Y. - N. Y. C., Aug. 15; Sept. 5
- Buffalo, Aug. 15-29
- N. C. - Asheville, Sept. 5-10
- Ohio - Chillicothe; Cincinnati; Columbus, Aug. 28
- Pa. - Meadville, Aug. 15
- Pittsburgh, Aug. 31; Sept. 5
- Scranton, Aug. 15
- Tenn. - Alpine, Aug.
- Wis. - Madison, Aug. 15

## TRANSPORTATION OFFERED TO -

- Ala. - Birmingham, Aug. 16.
- Ill. - Champaign, Aug. 29
- Chicago, Aug. 15
- Iowa - Aug. 15 - Ames, Aug. 15
- Dubuque, Aug. 15
- Mass. - Boston, Sept. 4
- Mo. - Chillicothe, Sept. 1
- Minn. - St. Paul, Aug. 15
- N. Y. - N. Y. C., Aug. 21-22
- Rome, Aug. 15-20
- Elmira, Aug. 15
- N. J. - Atlantic City, Aug. 14
- Neb. - Omaha, Aug. 16
- Lincoln, Aug. 16
- N. Mex. - Aug. 23
- Ohio - Columbus, Sept. 4
- Toledo, Aug. 21
- Pa. - Harrisburg, Aug. 15
- Wilkes Barre, Aug. 15
- S. D. - Watertown, Aug. 15
- Sioux Falls, Aug. 15
- Tenn. - Memphis, Aug.
- Texas - Dallas, Aug. 15; 23; 25
- El Paso, Aug. 23
- Utah - Salt Lake City, Aug. 15-16
- Va. - Hampton, Norfolk, Richmond weekends

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DR. WALTER BAUER TO CONDUCT WATERGATE SYMPHONY CONCERT AUGUST 21  
BRINGS HONOR TO AGRICULTURE AGAIN!

As tribute to his ability, Dr. Walter Bauer, AAA economist in the Division of Marketing, has been selected as one of the three "Government" musicians to conduct on "Washington Night", Friday, August 21, at 8:30 p.m. at the Watergate.

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WOMEN COMMEMORATE SUFFRAGE

A garden party is being given at Alva Belmont House, 144 B Street, N.E., by the Government Worker's Council of the National Woman's Party, Wednesday evening, August 19, at 8:00 p.m. The program will be devoted to the commemoration of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution and to the memory of Susan B. Anthony, pioneer suffrage leader. Miss Marjorie Webster will be presented in the play based on the trial of Miss Anthony for casting a ballot in an election in the late 80's. Women in Government service are especially invited. Opportunity will be given during the social hour to meet other women from all branches of the Federal and District service. Refreshments will be served. No charge will be made.

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DO YOU KNOW??

We quote from the Department "Regulations", Section 1576:

Personal Articles Lost or Found.-

All personal articles found by employees in the buildings or premises of the Department in the District of Columbia should be delivered to the office of the chief of the division of operation to await claim of ownership. Employees who may lose such articles in the places named should report the fact to the chief of division of operation of the Department.

Dr. Bauer is conductor of the Department of Agriculture Orchestra. He will conduct three selections of the second half of the program: The Flying Dutchman Overture by Wagner, the Gopak, a Little-Russian dance, by Moussorgsky, and the Norwegian Rhapsody No. 3 by Svendsen. Musician Scarbau of the Marine Band will conduct one of his own compositions on the second half of the program, while the first half will be taken care of by Lieutenant Charles Benter, conductor of the Navy Band.

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EXAMINATIONS FOR THE  
U. S. CIVIL SERVICE

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING CONSULTANT, \$4600; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING CONSULTANT, \$3800; ASSOC. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING CONSULTANT, \$3200; ASST. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING CONSULTANT, \$2600; PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING ASST., \$2000. Closing date, August 31.

JUNIOR AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER, \$2000. Age, under 35. Closing date, August 31.

SENIOR HORTICULTURIST, \$4600; HORTICULTURIST, \$3800; ASSOC. HORTICULTURIST, \$3200; ASST. HORTICULTURIST, \$2600. Soil Conservation Service. Age, under 53 for two highest, under 45 for associate, and under 40 for assistant. Closing date, September 7.

SENIOR SOIL TECHNOLOGIST, \$4600; SOIL TECHNOLOGIST, \$3800; ASSOC. SOIL TECHNOLOGIST, \$3200; ASST. SOIL TECHNOLOGIST, \$2600. Soil Cons. Service; Age, under 53 for first three, under 45 for assistant. Closing, September 7.

BANKNOTE DESIGNER, \$3200, Bureau Engraving and Printing. Age, under 50. Closing date, August 31.

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WITH THE EDITOR

We call attention to the ninth  
written line in this column. This  
includes phone calls ... Two members  
of your staff will vacation next  
week, so your assistant editor will take  
over ... We are investigating a story  
of interest to home builders. If valid,  
it will be presented in an early issue..  
Several newcomers have applied for  
membership on the staff ... We promised  
not to write long editorials ...

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OPEN HOUSE SUGGESTED

Some of our readers have suggested  
that it would be very appropriate if  
the Department of Agriculture had an  
open house when the South Building is  
completed. This would include exhibits  
from the various bureaus, probably a  
dance, movies in the auditorium, and  
various attractions open to the public.  
Write the editor your opinion.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

L A M E N T

A wee plaintive word from S. C. S.  
Whose name ne'er appears in your  
little blue press.  
We work and we toil  
to conserve the soil,  
But the "Exchange" seems to have  
"forgotten the address".

M. J. M.

ALL EXPENSE TOUR TO NEW YORK  
REDUCED ROUND TRIP FARES

Arrangements have been made for  
another all-expense excursion to New  
York City for the Labor Day weekend,  
leaving Saturday, September 5, 2 p.m.  
It will include taxi transfer to the  
hotel, room with bath and radio, two  
nights, two breakfasts, two luncheons,  
two dinners at the hotel, choice of  
dinner at the Paradise Nite Club or  
ticket to a legitimate theater; 3-hour  
show at Radio City Music Hall; guided  
tour NBC studio; Observation Roof,  
Rockefeller Center; 2-hour sightseeing  
trip; and many other free attractions.  
The total cost, including railroad  
transportation, is \$18.50. There are  
no extra charges.

Round trip passage may be purchased  
for \$7.50. Passengers may leave either  
at 5 p.m. Friday, September 4, or 2 p.m.  
Saturday, September 5, returning at their  
own convenience, within ten days, on any  
Pennsylvania RR train.

Tickets for the all-expense excursion  
may be purchased on September 1, 2, and  
3. Round trip tickets will be available  
September 1, 2, 3, and 4. Agriculture  
employees will be able to purchase them  
from Mrs. Roby Stehr, Information Desk,  
Administration Building, Branch 523, or  
between 5:30 and 7:30 at the Penn.  
ticket office, 613 14th St., N.W., on  
the above dates.

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LOST

Sometime before August 10, a black  
and gold bracelet, a keepsake, may  
have been left in ladies' washroom on  
the second or first floor of the South  
Building. Reward is offered for re-  
turn. Mrs. Irma A. Hunt, room 2764,  
phone 4750.

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# MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

# WATERGATE SYMPHONIES

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Wednesday, August 19, 1936

## TRANSPORTATION WANTED TO:

Calif. - Aug. 19; Sept. 15  
 Los Angeles  
 San Francisco  
 Ill. - Carthage, Aug. 23  
 Champaign, Aug. 29  
 Chicago, Sept. 5  
 Hoopeston, Aug. 22  
 West Frankfort, Aug. 26  
 Ind. - Lafayette, Aug. 22  
 Iowa - Moline, Aug. 28  
 Iowa City, Oct. 4-11  
 Md. - Hagerstown, weekend  
 Mich. - Battle Creek, Aug. 31  
 Detroit, Aug. 21  
 Grand Rapids, Aug. 21  
 Minneapolis, Sept. 1  
 Mo. - Kansas City, Aug.  
 St. Louis, Aug. 26  
 New England - Aug. 28  
 N. Y. - Buffalo, Aug. 15-29  
 Ithaca  
 New York City, Sept. 5  
 N. C. - Asheville, Sept. 5-10  
 Ohio - Cincinnati, Sept. 5  
 Columbus, August 28  
 Cleveland, weekend, Sept. 4  
 Steubenville, weekends;  
 Sept. 4-5  
 Pa. - Pittsburgh, Aug.; Sept. 5  
 Reading  
 Va. - Warsaw, weekends  
 Local - Between Dept. & 16th & U, N.W.  
 " Dept. & 49th & Chesapeake, NW  
 " Dept. & Colonail Village, Va.  
 " Dept. & 400 Butternut St.  
 " Dept. & Woodland Beach  
 " Beltsville & 14th & Park Rd.  
 " 17th & L & Beverly Hills, Va.  
 " Temp. F & N.H. & Concord, NW

## TRANSPORTATION OFFERED TO:

Ga. - Augusta, Aug. 19-20  
 Macon, Sept. 4  
 Ill. - Champaign, Aug. 29  
 Kans. - Topeka, Sept. 5  
 Mich. - Detroit, Sept. 6  
 Mo. - Chillicothe, Sept. 1; Sept. 16  
 Kansas City, Aug. 27  
 Macon, Aug. 22  
 Sedalia, Sept. 5

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GUY FRASER HARRISON, CONDUCTING  
 SOLOIST - HOWARD MITCHELL, CELLIST

Overture to "Martha" Flotow  
 Concerto in A Minor Saint-Saens  
 Soloist, Howard Mitchell  
 - INTERMISSION -  
 Overture to "Tannhauser" Wagner  
 Waltz, "Southern Roses" Strauss  
 (Londonderry Air Grainger  
 (Shepherds' Hey  
 Irish Rhapsody Victor Herbert

Friday, August 21, 1936

"Washington Night"  
 Dedicated to Government Employees

## Conductors:

LT. CHARLES BENTER, Leader of the  
 U. S. Navy Band  
 DR. WALTER BAUER, Conductor of the  
 Dept. of Agriculture Orchestra  
 SIEGFRIED SCHARBAU, U. S. Marine  
 Band

## Soloist:

EDWIN STEFFEE, Baritone

Overture to "Russlan and  
 Ludmilla" Glinka  
 Afro-American Symphony,

William Grant Still  
 Waltz, "The Blue Danube" Strauss  
 Lt. Benter, Conducting

- INTERMISSION -

Overture to the "Flying  
 Dutchman" Wagner

Gopak Moussorgsky  
 Norwegian Rhapsody, No. 3 Svendsen

Dr. Bauer, Conducting  
 Dome of the Capitol-Siegfried Scharbau

Mr. Scharbau, Conducting

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## ARA DANCE PLANNED

Plans are being made for a series  
 of popular low cost dances this fall,  
 to be held in the Patio of the Admin-  
 istration Building.

THE SPORTLITE  
By James L. Hitchens

**SOFTBALL:** As the season draws to a close, we take stock...Both the U. S. Aggies and the Aggiettes (girls) have made history, Aggies being first to represent D.C. in a National tournament, and the Aggiettes being the second. They leave for Chicago soon. They need financial aid. Contact the coach or team members if you can contribute...Aggies lost one game in two years; Aggiettes none this year...The city softball series opens August 17. Both the Aggies and Aggiettes are favored to win in their divisions...AAA Nite League, managed by J. A. Holloway is represented...Machine Tab and Clearance are battling for right to enter city series...We wish to thank the 500 participants for their excellent cooperation, without which managing this sport would have been a real headache...Only two injuries out of 500 men.

**BASEBALL:** Walter O'Connell's AAA team has a jinx, losing five games this season by the narrow margin of one run.

**TENNIS:** Men's Tennis League continues its unbroken string of victories, Interstate Commerce the latest victim.

**TRACK:** Manager Pryor predicts the third consecutive victory in the AAU tournament...The girls have been weakened, four of them leaving for Chicago with the Aggiettes.

**SWIMMING:** Glen Echo, Chevy Chase, Airport, and Maryland Club Garden pools -- 25 cents to ARA members.

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MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU (Cont'd)

N. Mex. - Aug. 23  
N. Y. - N. Y. C., Aug. 21-22  
Ohio - Toledo, Aug. 21  
Tenn. - Nashville, Sept. 5; Aug. 29  
Memphis, Aug.  
Tex. - Dallas, Aug. 23; 25; Sept. 1  
El Paso, Aug. 23  
Houston, Aug. 29

LADIES FEDERAL BOWLING LEAGUE

The Ladies Federal Bowling League is composed of 16 teams from the different Departments. At present there are four teams from Agriculture, namely: Agriculture #1, Agriculture #2, AAA, and Resettlement. If another team desires entrance in this League, it should send its request to Mrs. E. E. Romero, Secretary-Treasurer, BAE, 3531 South Building, and if there is a vacancy this September its franchise will be considered. The entrance fee is \$15 per team.

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TRACK TEAM PRACTICES

All track men are requested to report for practice at Central Stadium on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday at 5 p.m. in preparation for the annual Inter-Departmental Track Meet to be held on September 12. For information see H. E. Pryor, Manager, Room 0712, South Building, Branch 2520.

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TENNIS TOURNAMENT POSTPONED

The Women's Tennis League Finals Tournament, previously set for the last week in August, has been postponed until the second week in September. This will give the girls more time to play their matches with a view to participation in the Finals Tournament. The ten top players who are now eligible for the Finals Tournament are: Doris Rothwell, Betty Bullion, Lola Boswell, Helen Fenwick, Mildred Woyak, Lila Ohrmundt, Agnes Daly, Susanne Kelley, Gloria Joerns, and Janette Rudellat.

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FAMILIES OF EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE  
FOR MEMBERSHIP IN ARA

At the meeting held last Tuesday, the ARA amended its constitution to permit members of the immediate families of employees to purchase "ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP" at 25 cents. This will not permit them to represent the Department in any representative competition.

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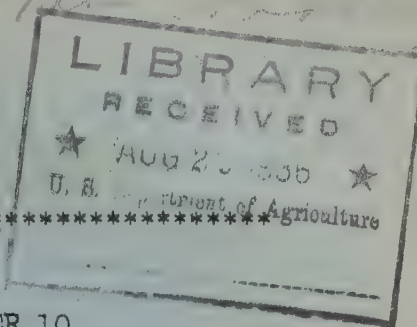
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PLANS FOR AGRICULTURE CHORUS ANNOUNCED  
FIRST MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 10

On September 10, the Department of Agriculture Chorus will hold its first meeting of the new season. Organized in August of 1934 by the present director, Robert F. Freund, the chorus has attained a reputation for fine work which is

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AAA CLEARANCE SOFT-BALL TEAM  
LOSES AFTER 22 STRAIGHT WINS

Going after its twenty-third consecutive victory, the AAA Clearance Team was defeated by the Works Division Team, 9 to 5, in the quarter-finals of the City Series to determine the soft-ball championship of Washington.

Although outhitting the Works Division by 12 to 7, they could not counteract the shoddy pitching given them, and when three runs were forced across the plate as a result of three straight walks, the game was lost.

A newcomer to the Inter-Bureau League, the team has a season record of 22 victories as against 3 defeats, and although not expected to figure prominently among the leaders of the soft-ball leagues, the Clearance Team surprised by copping the championship of its league, and going to the quarter-finals in the City championship before it was eliminated. At present, it is rated as the fifth best soft-ball team in the City.

Manager K. C. Marshall is quite enthused about the showing made this year and predicts a fine season next year when the team will be a comparative "old-timer" in league competition.

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NEW B&O STATION AT  
SILVER SPRING, MD.

For the convenience of people living in Chevy Chase, Kenwood, and Northwest Washington and its suburbs, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has inaugurated regular service at Silver Spring, Maryland, beginning August 16.

quite distinct, both in civic and governmental circles. Now going into its third year, the chorus has given concerts on the average of one every month, not only for the Department of Agriculture but also for private organizations, having sung last year both at the Sylvan and at the Watergate with the National Symphony Orchestra.

According to the director, a tentative schedule has been arranged, the highlights of which will be a Thanksgiving program, a Christmas program, and a concert on Good Friday.

Robert F. Freund, the director, was previously associated with John Charles Thomas in leading the Romany Chorus and the Bethesda-By-the-Sea Chorus, both of Palm Beach, Florida. While living in Washington, Mr. Freund has organized the Washington Gypsy Chorus in addition to the group in the Department of Agriculture.

Under his direction the chorus has attained a membership of forty; but as he pointed out there is still room for people with real singing ability. Those interested in an audition should write to him in care of the Agricultural Chorus, South Building, Department of Agriculture.

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NEW COURSES OFFERED

In addition to those studies mentioned in the Graduate School program of courses, the following have been announced:

Statistics for Biological Work  
Advanced Organic Chemistry  
Plant Breeding With Reference to Disease Resistance  
Economics of Instability

Copies of the 1936-37 program of courses may be obtained in room 4090 South, or by calling Extension 317.

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NOTE!!

Leaders, representatives, and secretaries of all employee activities are encouraged to submit notices and results of their respective meetings. In this way the activities will be furthered through the medium of the Exchange.

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NEEDY FAMILY

The father is employed here as a messenger. The mother, a boy, 1 year old, and girls, 2 and 5, need clothing. The mother wears size 18 or 20 and size 7 shoes. The girl, 5, needs shoes also. If you can help, notify Mrs. H. Winfree, Welfare Worker, Extension 530 or 579 this week.

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"DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS"

Section 4228

"Books or periodicals belonging to or borrowed through the Department library or any of its branches shall not under any circumstances be kept in locked desks, left at home, or kept in any place where they will not be readily accessible for Department use. No books or periodicals belonging to or borrowed through the Department library or any of its branches, shall be taken out of the city without first obtaining the permission of the Department librarian."

PROFESSOR R. A. FISHER, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, LONDON, TO LECTURE

Professor R. A. Fisher, University College, London, has been engaged to give three lectures under the auspices of the Graduate School, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, September 21, 22, and 23, from 5 to 6 P.M., in the Auditorium.

The lectures will deal in a general way with Statistical inference with special emphasis on sampling and the statistical testing of hypotheses. The lectures will be followed by discussions.

Special arrangements are also being made for conference groups interested in particular aspects of statistical analysis. Those desiring to attend conference groups should confer either with Mr. B. R. Stauber, or Dr. W. Edwards Deming.

A fee of \$2.00 will be charged for these lectures, or conferences, or both. Those wishing to attend the lectures must register either by mail or in person in Room 4090 South Building.

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DRAMATICS TO MEET

The Dramatic Guild holds a business meeting on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 4:45 in the Auditorium. At its next session, which is scheduled for September 1, a short entertainment period will be provided after the brief business session. All those interested are urged to be prompt.

ARA BUYING CLUB SAVINGS

14608	Waffle Iron	\$ 3.12
14658	Electric Iron	2.25
14687	Films	3.12
14768	Electric Ice Box	28.00
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14655	Tires	3.63
14654	Automobile	61.20
14551	Furniture	55.50

Applications may be procured from Mrs. E. E. Romero, BAE, Room 3531 South Building. DO NOT PHONE OR CALL IN PERSON.



## RECORD LABOR DAY CROWD EXPECTED

Present trends indicate a very successful Labor Day Trip to New York. As already explained, two types of excursions will be held; one, an all expense, tour, and one for the round trip, only.

A 3 hour show at Radio City, a conducted tour of the NBC studios, two hours on a sightseeing ride, a trip to the observation roof of Rockefeller Center and the choice of a dinner at the Paradise Night Club or a ticket to a legitimate theatre in addition to transportation, a room with radio and bath at the Hotel Times Square, and all meals, are the lot of those who choose the all expense tour. The price is only \$18.50. The party will leave Washington Saturday, Sept. 5 at 2:00 P.M. and will start the return trip Monday evening.

Round trip passengers may choose between two trains leaving at 5:00 P. M. Friday and 2:00 P. M. Saturday, and may return on any Penna. R.R. train within 10 days. Tickets are \$7.50.

Tickets for the all expense excursion may be purchased on Sept. 1, 2, and 3. Round trip tickets will be available Sept. 1 to 4. Agriculture employees will be able to purchase theirs from Mrs. Roby Stehr, Information Desk, Administration Building, Branch 523, or between 5:30 and 7:30 P.M. at the Penna. ticket office, 613 14th St., N.W.

## LETTER; UNCLAIMED

The Chief, B.A.E. Mails and Files reports the receipt of an unclaimed letter addressed to a Mr. Harold Posner of Philadelphia. Will the "Madeleine" who sent the letter please claim it as soon as possible.

## WELFARE STORE

Fresh Pork-----All Cuts  
Peaches.....\$1.25 bu.  
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Gladioli.....15¢ doz.  
Huyler's Assorted Candy.....49¢ lb.

## MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

### MAKE LABOR DAY REQUESTS NOW!

#### TRANSPORTATION WANTED TO:

Ala.	-Sept. 5-7
Calif.	-Sept. 15 San Francisco
Ga.	-Sept. 5-7
Ill.	-Champaign, Aug. 29 Chicago, Sept. 5 Central, Aug. 29 Southern, Aug. 29
Iowa.	-Clinton Iowa City, Oct. 4-11 Moline, Aug. 28
Mass.	-Sept. 4
Mich.	-Battle Creek, Aug. 31 Detroit, Sept. 5
Minn.	-Minneapolis, Sept. 1
Mo.	-Kansas City St. Louis, Sept. 1;5 Sedalia, Sept. 5
New Eng.	-Aug. 28
N.Y.	-Ithaca Liberty, Sept. 5 NYC, Sept. 5
N. Car.	-Asheville, Sept. 5-10
Ohio.	-Cincinnati, Sept. 5 Cleveland, Sept. 4,-weekends Columbus, Aug. 28 Steubenville, Sept. 4 Toledo, Sept. 4
Pa.	-Pittsburgh, Sept. 4 Reading
Va.	-Warsaw, weekends
W. Va.	-Weirton, Sept. 4 Wheeling, Sept 4
Local	-Between Dept. & 16th & U, N.W. " Dept.& 49th & Chesapeake,NW " Dept. & Colonial Village,Va. " Dept. & 400 Butternut St. " Beltsville & 14th & Park Rd. " 17th & L & Beverly Hills,Va. " Temp.F & N.H. & Concord, NW

#### TRANSPORTATION OFFERED TO:

Cal.	-Los Angeles, Sept. 1
Ga.	-Macon, Sept. 4
Kan.	-Topeka, Sept. 5
Mich.	-Detroit, Sept. 6
Mo.	-Kansas City, Aug. 27 -Sedalia, Sept. 5
N. Dak.	-Aug. 29

## ARA RIDERS INVITED TO HORSE SHOW

On September 6-12, the Fairfax County Fair and Horse Show will be held at Rinehart's Farm, Langley, Va. There will be special riding events open to members of the ARA Riding Club.

Entries must be made before September 1. Further details will be furnished by Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, at the Information Desk, or on Branch 523.

## TWO PLAYS TO BE PRE- SENTED ON SEPTEMBER 2

Keep Wednesday, September 2 open! On that evening at 8:15, the Dramatic Guild will present two one-act plays, in the air-cooled auditorium in the South Building.

The first of the two plays, "Joe", is a grim tragedy which will keep the audience on edge throughout the entire performance. The cast includes:

Edythe Aymar	as	Lou Cosgrove
Joe Klein	as	Joe Cosgrove
Helene Mead	as	Mrs. Tern
Alberta Pusey	as	Mrs. Mason
Joseph Walters	as	Dr. Wakeland
J. Lipschitz	as	Ed Tern

"Good Medicine", a hilarious comedy, which is directed by Robert N. Anderson, and supported by:

A. Waldman	as	Dr. Graves
Beverly Gaylor	as	Mrs. Graves
Wanda Sarnecki	as	Hetti Fage

promises to overexercise your laughing capacity.

During the intermission there will be presented some varied musical entertainment. Admission is free, and it is urged that all members of the Department and their friends attend what promises to be a gay and pleasantly entertaining evening.

In view of the large attendance at previous performances, it is suggested that playgoers come early for choice seats.

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JOIN THE A.R.A. NOW!!

## WASHINGTON WATERGATE CONCERTS

Wednesday, August 26, 1936.

WHEELER BECKETT, CONDUCTOR

Overture to "Donna Dianna"	von Reznicek
Rustic Wedding Symphony	Goldmark
INTERMISSION	
Cinderella Fantasie	Beckett
Water Music	Handel-Harty
Rhapsody Espana	Chabrier

Friday, August 28, 1936

SYLVAN LEVIN, CONDUCTOR

SOLOIST, PACELI DIAMOND, MEZZO-SOPRANO

Academic Festival Overture	Brahms
Ballet Music from "Rosamunde"	Schubert
La Rouet d'Omphale	Saint-Saens
Die Moldau	Smetana
INTERMISSION	
Rumanian Rhapsody No. 1	Enesco
(Air de Lia, from "L'Enfant Prodigue"	Debussy
(Mon Coeur s'ouvre a ta Voix, from "Samson and Delilah"	Saint-Saens
Miss Diamond	
Bolero	Ravel

Sunday, August 30, 1936

SYLVAN LEVIN, CONDUCTOR

Overture to the Bartered Bride	Smetana
Sorcerer's Apprentice	Dukas
Minuet - "Will o' the Wisp"	Berlioz
Dance of the Sylphs	Berlioz
Racokzy March	Berlioz

INTERMISSION

Overture-"Hansel and Gretel"	Humperdinck
Flight of the Bumble Bee	Rimsky-Korsakoff
Invitation to the Dance	Weber-Weingartner
Siegfried Idyll	Wagner
La Valse	Ravel

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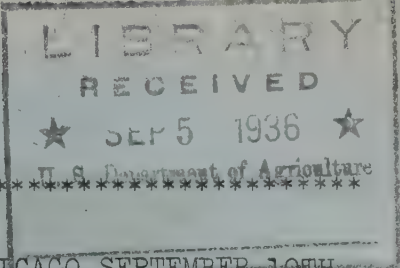
## BRIDGE WINNERS

Victors in the Agriculture Bridge Club game last Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Shepard (Public Roads). The club's next is scheduled for August 26, at 2400 16th St., N.W. All members of the Department are eligible to play. Admission is 50 cents per person.



# AGRICULTURE EXCHANGE

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## HISTORY IN THE MAKING:

U. S. AGGIETTES LEAVE FOR CHICAGO SEPTEMBER 10TH  
PROBABLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY AGGIES

On September 10th, the Aggiettes, girls' softball team leaves for Chicago, to represent the District of Columbia in the National Tournament. It is a real tribute to them. They organized, bought their own uniforms, practiced hard, and smashed their way to the D. C. championship without a defeat.

Last year, the Aggies, men's team, went to the Lake City. This year they are favored to win again, a final game having been scheduled for Griffith's stadium for last Friday. If they win again, it will be a fine tribute to the high caliber of the sports played by Department of Agriculture employees.

## TICKETS FOR EXCURSIONS ON SALE

Tickets for the New York Excursions go on sale this week on September 1, 2, 3, & 4. Two trains are leaving: Friday, September 4th, 5:00 PM, and Saturday, September 5th, 2:00 PM. Return tickets are good for ten days on any train. Price is \$7.50. Agriculture employee may purchase their tickets from Mrs. Roby W. Stehr, br. 523, Information Desk Lobby, Admin. Bldg. All others may get them at the Penn. R.R. ticket office from 5:30 to 7:30 on the above dates

All Expense tour tickets include train, taxi to Hotel Times Square, meals, at Hotel, choice of dinner at Paradise Nite Club or legitimate theater, aerial view of city from Rockefeller Center; 3 hr. show at Radio City; 2 hr. sightseeing ride; and guided tour of NBC Studios. The price is \$10.00; there are no extras. Tickets may be purchased until the 3rd.

Children under 5 may ride free; under 12 the fare is one half.

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## DO YOU KNOW???

We quote from the Department "Regulations", Section 1734:  
\*\*\*Employees must not place in waste-paper baskets fragments of luncheons or any other substance except waste paper. Chief clerks of the various bureaus will provide metal receptacles for fragments of luncheons, and also separate receptacles for broken glass, empty tin cans, and other waste material of similar character.

## AGGIETTES NEED SUPPORT

The Aggiettes are trying to raise funds to finance their trip. They deserve your cooperation. Cooperate with the coach, James Hitchens, or any member of the team, or address the editor.

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## U.S. CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS CLOSING DATE SEPTEMBER 8

MEDICAL OFFICER, \$3800; Assoc. M.O., \$3200; Asst. M.O., \$2600; Age under 45 first, under 35 for last two.  
PRINCIPAL TRAVELING INSPECTOR, Bureau Marine Investigation and Navigation, \$4000; age under 53.  
AEROTRANSPORT INSPECTOR, Bureau of Air Mail, ICC; \$3800; age under 53.  
CHIEF ARTISTIC LITHOGRAPHER, \$2600; Senior A.L., \$2000; A.L., \$1800; Asst. A.L. \$1620; Jr. A.L., \$1440; age over 18 for Jr., over 20 but less than 50 for others.

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\*\*\*Mrs. Helen Winfree, Welfare Worker, Branch 579, maintains a service of listing articles of furniture for sale and NOW HAS a few pieces of furniture listed.

Join the ARA!!!

THE AGRICULTURE EXCHANGE  
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THE ARA - WELFARE ASSN. PUBLICATION

Joseph D. Cooper ..... Editor  
Ruben R. Blane ..... Assistant Editor  
Sam A. Morgenstein ... Irene L. Bartlett

Deadline is Wednesday afternoon. Signed  
contributions only - subject to revision  
NO BUSINESS DURING OFFICE HOURS.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OBJECTIVES

With the approval and cooperation of  
the Secretary of Agriculture, a special  
course in "Department Objectives" will  
be offered from October 9 to December  
18, inclusive, 5 to 6 P.M., in the  
Auditorium, on Fridays. Dr. A.F. Woods  
will be chairman. There will be no fee.  
Designed to teach the average employe,  
the scientist, the stenographer, the  
file clerk, or machine operator, the  
ultimate purpose he serves, the lectures,  
to be delivered by bureau chiefs and  
officials, will be neither "publicity"  
nor "propaganda". They will cover the  
various phases of the Department's  
work. Employes will learn how their  
particular job contributes to the pub-  
lic welfare.

NOTE: A series of informal lectures  
was given during 1934 and '35. Each  
chief spoke concerning the work of his  
bureau. The course now planned will be  
on a more scientific basis and will  
cover material not previously treated.

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\*\*\*WANTED: Back issues of Vol. III, Nos.  
14 and 20.

\*\*\*Blane on vacation. Staff will take  
over motor travel service.

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WELFARE STORE

Peaches Grapes Fresh Meat  
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SPECIAL: - 1 lb. Chocolates,  
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NEW GRADUATE SCHOOL COURSES

Drs. Mordecai Ezekiel and Louis H.  
Bean will give a course in the "Econ-  
omics of Instability" in the Graduate  
School this semester. The class will be  
held on Monday evenings from 7-9 P.M.,  
and will be open only to people holding  
an M.A. in Economics.

Both Dr. Ezekiel and Dr. Bean are out-  
standing men in their field, and this  
will be the first time in several years  
that Agriculture employes will have an  
opportunity to work under them.

Coupled with this will be a course on  
"The Rise of Modern Industrialism in the  
U.S." to be given by Dr. Norman Leon  
Gold. This course will be held on Tues-  
day and Thursday at 4:50 P.M. Tuition  
for both courses is \$12 a semester. Fur-  
ther details may be obtained from the  
School, Room 4090, Branch 317.

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AAA LADIES BOWLING TEAM

Ladies interested in joining the AAA  
Bowling Team are requested to contact  
Louise Roberts, Room 323, O.P.O. Bldg.,  
Branch 2848. To be eligible for the team  
applicants must bowl in the nineties and  
must be free to compete every Thursday  
nite.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Your recent note in regard to an op-  
en house in the Department interests me.  
You refer to dances and such. Now, if  
by "Open House" you mean a carnival or  
entertainment to raise funds for the  
employe activities, I am opposed to the  
idea.

On the other hand, if you mean bureau  
exhibits open to the public, such as some-  
times are seen in the National Museum, I  
think it a splendid idea.

I am surprised that in Washington the  
departments have not availed themselves  
more of the opportunity of presenting  
their work in popular form. Of course,  
concerts, etcetera, would help. J.D.



# WASHINGTON WATERGATE CONCERTS

September 2, 1936

NIKOLAI SOKOLOFF, CONDUCTOR

Overture Euryanthe	Thomas
Symphony No. 2	Brahms
INTERMISSION	
La Procession Nocturne	Rabaud
Excerpts from Carmen Suite	
No. 1	Bizet
Indian War Dance	Skilton

September 4, 1936

Overture Mignon	Thomas
Unfinished Symphony	Schubert
Minuet	Roemheld
Slavonic Dance in A flat	Dvorak
INTERMISSION	
Concerto in D	Beethoven
Mr. Persinger, Violinist	
Pomp and Circumstance-March	Elgar

September 6, 1936

Introduction and March from	
Le Coq d'Or	Rimsky-
	Korsakoff
Symphony Pathetique No. 6	Tschaikowsky
INTERMISSION	
Polovetzian Dances from	
Prince Igor	Borodin
Introduction to Khovanchino	Moussorgsky
Sailors' Dance from the	
Red Poppy	Gliere

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## CHORUS TO MEET

The Department of Agriculture Chorus, Exchange, 4403 South Building. NO CALLS under the direction of Robert Frederick Freund, will hold its first meeting of the coming season, 1936-37, on Thursday September 10, in Room 0051, South Building at 4:45 P.M. Everyone interested is urged to attend this meeting.

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\*\*\*Calls for housekeepers, particularly in homes where there are children, are occasionally received by the Welfare Associatio. If you know of anyone interested, get in touch with Mr. H. Winfree, Welfare Worker, Extension 530 or 579.

# MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

## TRANSPORTATION WANTED TO -

Calif.	- Sept. 15
Ill.	- Champaign, Sept. 1-4
	Chicago, Sept. 5
Iowa	- Clinton
	Iowa City, Oct. 4-11
Mich.	- Detroit, Sept. 5
Mo.	- St. Louis, Sept. 5
N.Y.	- Albany, Sept. 20-26
	Liberty, Sept. 5
	N.Y.C., Sept. 4; 5; 15; weekday
	Niagara Falls, Sept. 5
N.C.	- Asheville, Sept. 5-10
Ohio	- Cincinnati, Sept. 5
	Cleveland, Sept. 4
	Steubenville, Sept. 4-5
Pa.	- Allentown
	Philadelphia
	Pittsburgh, Sept. 1; 4; 6
Tenn.	- Selmer, Sept. 10
Texas	- Austin, Sept. 1
W.Va.	- Weirton, Sept. 4

## TRANSPORTATION OFFERED TO -

Ga.	- Augusta, Sept. 4
	Macon, Sept. 4
Ill.	- Chicago, Sept. 4
Kan.	- Topeka, Sept. 5
Mass.	- Boston, Sept. 5-8
Mo.	- Joplin, Sept. 4-5
	Sedalia, Sept. 5
N.J.	- Atlantic City, Sept. 4-5
N.C.	- Raleigh, Sept. 4
S.C.	- Columbia, Sept. 4
Tenn.	- Nashville, Sept. 5
Va.	- Hampton, weekends
	Norfolk, weekends
	Richmond, weekends

Send request to R. R. Blane, c/o The

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Necessary to include bureau, room num-

ber, branch, home phone.

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## DRAMA GROUP PLAYS, MEETS

Don't forget the Dramatic Club meeting to be held in the Auditorium Tuesday, September 1 at 4:45 P.M. A short program will be presented in addition to the regular business meeting.

Keep Wednesday, September 2, open to attend the program of two one-act plays in the air-cooled Auditorium at 8:15 P.M.

# THE SPORTLITE

By JAMES L. HITCHENS

## FUEL CLUB TO ORGANIZE AGAIN

Basketball, Indoor Swimming, and Exercise Class plans for the coming season will soon be made \* \* \* Join a team or class this fall.

Bowling Leagues being organized.

Track: Attend the meet at Central High- to see Agriculture win third consecu- tive AAU Government title.

\*\*\*Arnold Preheim and Rosson, of Machine tab. were shosen by Mgr. Mar- shall of clearance team to play with his team in city series.

\*\*\*Willis Benner, AAA, Aggie outfield- er will again play and coach Maryland AC football team, Washington's leading pro's.

SOFTBALL: Pitching of Marge Watson and cooperation of girls is the reason for championship of Aggieetees.\*\*\*Team mem- bers are: Marge Watson, Capt., Char- lotte Reidel, Mgr., Hylma Mays, Jennie Douins, Sadie Curten, Ruby McGarrity, Gertrude Lewellyn, Becky Blackman, Charlotte Wade, Mary Perkins, Midge James, Mildred Pace, Dot Bero, Joan De Castro, Kitty Fahey, Dorothy Bukowski, Mary Bucher, Louise Eovaldi, Anna Lugus, and Jimmy Hitchens, Coach.

Aggies: Pitching of Rosenfield, bat- ting of Berry and Benner, and fielding of Weigel has kept team ahead.\*\*\*If team won last Friday, they go to Chicago.\*\*\*Early Day League finished with Machine winning\*\*\*Central Control, Audit, Disbursing, Records, ?, Files, and Cotton trailed\*\*\*Clearance team was surprise of series.\*\*\*Analysis of soft ball season next week.

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## MANKIND TO BE UPLIFTED

The Old Post Office group, not to be outdone by the various associations in other branches of Agriculture, has recently organized a club whose sole purpose is directed toward the up- lifting of mankind. Francis L. Kechan was unanimously chosen the most repre- sentative member and is in charge of all activities. Anyone desiring admis- sion will please contact Mr. Kechan, President of The Quaint Face Blub.

Success of the Fuel Club last year moves us to help organize again. All that is necessary is a leader to ad- minister the affairs. If interested, write the editor.

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## ARA BUYING CLUB SAVINGS

14703	Electric Ice box	\$18.95
14577	Watch repair	1.38
17642	Awnings	1.31
15022	Tire	2.17
14547	Silver	6.97
14626	Linoleum	4.80
14591	One piece of silver	.90
14703	Electric Fan	3.48
14704	Tires	10.15
14713	Tires	8.49
14725	Tires	8.41
14718	Fountain Pen	2.25
14724	Silver	7.49
14617	Films	.75
14667	Camera	8.00
14543	Camera	8.55
14646	Oil Burner	65.00
14626	Waffle Iron	2.23
14571	Fountain Pen	1.50
14626	Watch	9.37
14696	Washing Machine	32.37
14778	Tires & Seat Cover	3.24
14592	Fountain Pen	6.75
14767	Vacuum Cleaner	15.00
14756	Stove & Electric Fan	24.53
14789	Vacuum Cleaner	15.00
14786	Tires	2.46
14583	Tires	5.40
14790	Tires	8.46
14701	Tires	13.90
14657	Furniture	42.00
14715	Furniture	27.00
14689	Furniture	8.00
14696	Furniture	35.00
17640	Furniture	16.66
14650	Furniture	3.75
14586	Furniture	3.00
14722	Furniture	38.92
14636	Furniture	46.32

Applications may be procured from Mrs. E. E. Romero, BAE, Room 3531 South Building. DO NOT PHONE OR CALL IN PERSON.

Join the Musical and Dramatic Club.



GRADUATE SCHOOL ANNOUNCES FALL COURSES

The Graduate School of the Department of Agriculture will stay another year, beginning September 14. More than sixty courses will be offered. They are available to all Government employees and others. Credits are certified to leading colleges. The instructors are selected from the best qualified members of the scientific and professional staffs of the various bureaus and nearby co-operating colleges. Such well known experts as Prof. Edward Berman, Dr. Mordecai Ezekiel, Prof. R. A. Fisher, and many others too numerous to mention, will lecture. The trend toward an abundance of language, economics, and statistics courses will be noticed. Elsewhere in this issue is published a complete list of courses.

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\*\*\*Copies of the Graduate School catalog may be obtained by writing to the Graduate School, Room 4090, South Building, or calling branch 317.

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TRANSPORTATION TO LEGION CONVENTION

We are advised that the Pennsylvania Railroad is making available special reduced rates to those persons going to Cleveland for the American Legion Convention, to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, September 21-24, and for the Great Lakes Exposition. Tickets good for ten days round trip will be on sale at their office at the rate of \$13.05. A special train will leave Washington Saturday, September 19, at 8:05 p.m.

Further details may be secured from the Railroad, DI-1424.

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AGGIETTES TO GO TO CHICAGO  
SEPTEMBER 10

The Aggiettes, champion girls' softball team, will leave on September 10 for the Lake City to compete in the national tournament there. We are sorry to announce that the Aggies will not accompany them, having been defeated in the final game, 1-0.

ORCHESTRA TO PLAY RUSSIAN MUSIC

On Tuesday, September 15, the Department of Agriculture Orchestra, under the leadership of Dr. Walter Bauer, will present at 8:30 p.m. a program of Russian music, postponed from July 28. Dr. Bauer, it will be recalled, was selected to lead the National Symphony Orchestra at the Watergate several weeks ago. Judging by past records, the Auditorium will be overflowing, so patrons are urged to come early.

The program features the Second Symphony of Borodine, a fine but rarely played work. Other interesting but more familiar numbers on the program are the Andante Cantabile from the string quartet Op. 11 by Tchaikowsky, the "Gopak" (Russian Dance) and the tone poem "Night on Bald Mountain", both by Moussorgsky, the "Musical Snuff Box" by Liadow, and the "Legend of the Tsar Saltan" by Rimsky-Korsakow.

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WITH THE EDITOR

We have been striving to improve your paper at all times. Now we ask our readers for criticisms, for we cannot otherwise judge their tastes. Criticisms and suggestions are invited. ... We call attention to the ninth written line in this column ... In the future, the Motor Travel Service will not honor phone calls. Persons outside the Department must include return postage... We are gratified by the response to our request for back issues. We ask for copies of Vol. III, No. 21 this time.

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MOTOR TRAVEL BUREAU

Due to the absence of Mr. Blane, in charge of this service, publication of the travel list is suspended one week. Employees are invited to continue to send in requests for transportation or passengers.

We take space to comment on the lack of cooperation of some people using this service. First, it should be understood that there is no profit to the Exchange staff from this service. This is entirely free; no strings attached.

Each week we publish a line with full directions for contacting us. Each week we print in caps: "NO BUSINESS DURING OFFICE HOURS". Yet there are many who are insistent upon immediate service by phone, who give a home address, but do not supply postage, who impose upon us to the extent of placing us in jeopardy.

Please include bureau, room number, branch, and home phone in your address.

TENNIS

The Federal Employees' Tournament, including singles and doubles for men and women, will start on September 13 at Potomac Park Courts, according to E. Hoffecker, Captain, Agriculture Team, BAE, Room 2912, Br. 2218. Entrance fee for singles, \$1.25; doubles, \$2.00 per team. A consolation event will be included with the singles competition. This will assure each entrant of at least two rounds of tennis. The entry fee covers the cost of balls and courts.

Trophies will be given to the winners in all events. In addition, a point award will be made to that branch of the government whose employees complete the greater number of matches successfully.

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BRIDGE CLUB MEETINGS

The Agriculture Bridge Club will hold three games this month, September 9, 23, and 30, at 2400 16th St., N.W., 8:00 p.m. Admission 50 cents. All members of Department are eligible to play.

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ARA BUYING SERVICE

You can become a lifetime member of a buying service in the city, at a reduced rate thru being an ARA member. Write (don't phone or come in person during office hours) to Mrs. Romero, BAE, room 3531, who will send you printed information on the subject. From time to time we printed savings made by members of this association on different articles. Mrs. Romero will have to refuse to give information on this subject to those who persist in visiting her office. Just write to her. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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WELFARE STORE  
Week-End Specials

Chickens                      Pork - All Kinds  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE GRADUATE SCHOOL  
REVISED LIST OF COURSES, 1936-37

Survey of Public Personnel Management  
Management and Supervision  
Department Personnel Problems  
The Library, Its Organization and Use  
Special Series of Lectures on Department of Agriculture  
Objectives  
Administrative Law  
Federal Jurisdiction and Procedure  
Agricultural Prices  
History of Economic Thought  
History of American Agriculture  
Geography of Agriculture  
Graduate Seminar in General Economics  
Contemporary Economic Problems  
Economics of Instability  
Wages and Economic Insecurity  
The Rise of Modern Industrialism in the United States  
The Evolution of Economic Institutions  
Principles of Economics  
Principles of Accounting  
Statistical Inference (September 21, 22, 23 only)  
Advanced Statistical Analysis  
Elementary Statistical Methods  
Advanced Course in Statistics for Biological Workers  
International Trade  
Adjustment of Observations  
Mathematical Preparation for Statistics  
Differential Equations and Applications  
Advanced Inorganic Analytical Chemistry  
An Introduction to Organic Chemistry  
Advanced Organic Chemistry  
Phase Rule  
Colloids  
Food Selection for Good Nutrition  
Soils: Their Morphology, Genesis and Classification  
Glass Blowing  
Microscopic Technique and Histology  
Plant Breeding with Special Reference to Disease  
Resistance  
Plant Ecology  
Plant Diseases with Special Reference to Cause and  
Control  
Systematic Botany  
Extension Seminars  
Extension Theses  
English Grammar and Composition  
Editing Manuscripts on Agriculture, Home Making, and  
Related Subjects  
Scientific French (Elementary and Advanced)  
German (Elementary, Scientific, and Advanced)  
Russian (Elementary and Advanced)  
Spanish (Scientific and Technical, Elementary, and Advanced)  
Italian (Elementary and Advanced)  
Technical Shorthand Speed Writing

# RECORD OF A.R.A. SOFT BALL GAMES LATE DAY LEAGUE

## "A" LEAGUE (1st Series)

	WON	LOST
A. D. M.	5	1
Central Supply *	4	1
Clearance *	3	2
Public Roads	3	3
Sect. Office	3	3
B. A. E.	2	4
Weather Bureau	0	5

\* Another game played resulting in tie.  
Not being significant in finals, tie-off  
not played by mutual consent of teams.

## "B" LEAGUE (1st Series)

	WON	LOST
Corn-Hog Audit *	5	1
Plant Industry	5	1
Test Division	5	1
Wheat Section	2	4
Audit & Accounts	2	4
Corn-Hog Correspondence	1	5
Soil Conservation	1	5

\* First place of this series won by  
Corn-Hog Audit by defeat of Plant,  
which in turn defeated Test.

## "A" LEAGUE (2nd Series)

	WON	LOST
Clearance	7	0
B. A. E.	5	2
Sect. Office	5	2
Plant Industry	4	3
Corn-Hog Audit	2	5
Public Roads	2	5
A. D. M.	2	5
Tests	1	6

## "B" LEAGUE (2nd Series)

	WON	LOST
Central Supply *	5	1
Soil Conservation	5	1
Audit & Accounts	4	2
Wheat	2	4
Photogrametry	2	4
Weather Bureau	2	4
Corn-Hog Correspondence	1	5

\* First place of this series won by  
Central Supply by defeat of Soil Con-  
servation.

## "A" LEAGUE (3rd Series)

	WON	LOST
Clearance	7	0
B. A. E.	5	2
Corn-Hog Audit	4	3
Central Supply	4	3
Audit & Accounts	4	3
Plant Industry	3	4
Soil Conservation	1	6
Sect. Office	0	7

## "B" LEAGUE (3rd Series)

	WON	LOST
A. D. M.	6	0
Tests	5	1
Wheat	4	2
Public Roads	2	4
Weather Bureau	2	4
Photogrametry	1	5
Corn-Hog Correspondence	1	5

Clearance )  
A. D. M. )  
Corn-Hog Audit )  
Central Supply )

## PLAY OFF OF ALL THREE SERIES

Won by "Clearance" after defeating A. D. M. and Central  
Supply. Corn-Hog Audit was defeated by Central Supply.

JAMES HENRY LYMAN  
Secretary, Late Day League  
1936



DANCE SEASON OPENS SEPTEMBER 19

ARA THROWS FIRST BALL

With a dance scheduled for the 19th of September, this coming Saturday, in the patio of the Administration building, the Athletic and Recreational Association officially opens the dance season in the Department of Agriculture. This will be the first of a frequent series of low priced affairs, for the admission is the nominal charge of twenty-five cents (25¢).

The music will be supplied by Otto's Orchestra, with six pieces playing. The hours will be from EIGHT TO TWELVE. Evening gowns and tuxedos are taboo, for the dance is informal. Many of us who will recall the popular dances of this type given by the Welfare Association last year will remember that the patio was full each time.

Tickets, 25¢ per person, may be purchased at the door. The ARA dance committee is composed of: Homer E. Pryor, president ARA, Joseph Bertolini, W. C. Robbins, Mrs. Elsie E. Romero, and Joseph D. Cooper.

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U.S. CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

Closing date Sept. 29 for first four.

SENIOR CHEMIST, \$4600; BIOCHEMIST, \$3800; ASSO. CHEMIST, \$3200; ASST. BIOCHEMIST, \$2600. Age: Under 40 for Asst. Biochemist and under 53 for others.

SCIENTIFIC AIDE (HORTICULTURE), \$1800; JR. AIDE (FORAGE CROPS), \$1440; JR. AIDE (TRUCK CROPS), \$1440. BPI. Age: Under 40 for Scientific Aide (Horticulture); under 35 for others.

JR. GEOLOGIST, \$2000. Age, under 35.

ECONOMIST (PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION), \$3800. Public Health Service. Age, under 53.

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, \$6500. Bureau Indian Affairs. Age, under 53. Closing date, Sept. 21.

SENIOR AGRICULTURAL AID, \$2000; AGRICULTURAL AID, \$1800; ASST. AID, \$1620; JR. AID, \$1440; UNDER AID, \$1260, Soil Conservation Service. Age: Under 40 for senior and full grades; under 35 for others. Closing date, Sept. 21.

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AGRICULTURE CHORUS SCHEDULES PROGRAMS

Under the direction of Robert F. Freund, the Agriculture Chorus will present the "Gay Nineties", a gala program of song, the latter part of October in the Auditorium. The chorus held its first meeting of the 1936-37 season on Thursday, September 10, with 45 members attending. Rehearsals were begun for the "Song of Thanksgiving", by Maunder, which will be given during the week of Thanksgiving, both in the Department Auditorium and at Barker Hall of the Y.W.C.A.

Officers of the Chorus are: Robert F. Freund, director; Victor H. Neal, accompanist; Dr. Harry B. Humphrey, adviser; Roy B. Gray, treasurer; Lillian Novak, secretary; Doris Menter, librarian.

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ORCHESTRAL PRESENTATION

The orchestra, conducted by Dr. Walter Bauer, will present a program of Russian music in the Auditorium Tuesday, September 15 at 8:30 p.m.

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BRIDGE HONORS

Winners of last night's Agriculture Bridge Club game were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Belt, and the runners-up were Mrs. Frederick Munchmeyer and Mr. F.L. Goll.

The Club's next game will be held September 23 at 2400 16th St., N. W., 8:00 p.m. All members of the Department are eligible for membership. No dues. Games 50 cents per person.

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\*\*\*Agriculture employes are cautioned against using franked envelopes in addressing mail to the ARA. Queries about the ARA services are purely personal and should be sent in chain envelopes.\*\*\*We beg pardon for our error in stating last week that the "Graduate School will 'stay' another year". It should have been "start another year". \*\*\*SHORTHAND SPEED CLASS starts September 15 in Graduate School. We feature the results of last year's course next issue: number passing special exam, etc. \*\*\* Pages 3 and 4 reserved for our friends who didn't send in copy.

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MOTOR TRAVEL SERVICE

TRANSPORTATION WANTED TO:

Calif. - Sept. 15  
Ill. - Chicago, Oct. 1-4  
Iowa - Ames, Sept. 16-20  
- Iowa City, Oct. 4-11  
N. Y. - Albany, Sept. 20-26  
- New York City, Sept. 15

TRANSPORTATION OFFERED TO:

Mo. - Kansas City, Sept. 19  
Neb. - Chadron, Sept. 15-19  
Okla. - Sept. 19-20  
Mo. - Joplin, Sept. 19-20  
- St. Louis, Sept. 19-20  
Pa. - Carlisle, weekends  
S. D. - Chamberlain, Sept. 17  
Va. - Hampton, weekends  
- Norfolk, weekends  
- Richmond, weekends

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TROPHY TO BE PRESENTED DEPARTMENT'S  
WOMAN TENNIS CHAMP

The Department Women's Tennis League is holding its Finals Tournament during this week at Potomac Courts. Plan to come to the matches. A valuable trophy will be presented the winner by the ARA. Following is the schedule:

Eliminations - Sept. 14, 5 p.m.  
Quarter Finals - Sept. 16, 5 p.m.  
Semi Finals - Sept. 18, 5 p.m.  
Finals - Sept. 19 or 20 -

(Time to be announced later.)

Sally Miller, BAI, who won the championship trophy last year, will be unable to compete due to an injury sustained in a basketball game last season. Miss Miller is president of the Tennis League, and is working hard on Tournament plans.

Contenders for the title of Department of Agriculture Women's Tennis Champ are: Betty Bullion, BAI; Doris Rothwell, NPS; Dorothy Braun, AAA; Virginia Whitsitt, BBS; Lila Ohrmundt, AAA; Agnes Daly, BPR; Dorothy Bero, BAI; Edith Walsh, AAA; Mildred Woyak, BAI; Floria Joerns, FS; Eleanor Hurley, BAE; Jean Hodge, AAA.

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BOWLING WOMEN SELECTED

Doris Goodall, Agriculture employe stationed at the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and Elsie E. Romero, of BAE, have again been elected President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, of the Ladies Federal Bowling League. This will make the eighth term of office for both.

The league will start with fourteen teams on September 17 at the Arcadia.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON BEACH CLUB

The Saturday Afternoon Beach and Recreation Club meets on Tuesday afternoons at 4:45 in Room 0712 to plan for future activity. Plans for the purchase of a sailboat have not materialized and the committee appointed for that purpose will make a report. People interested in joining this group should write to Leigh Hibbard, BPI.



AGGIES CAPTURE TRACK CUP SECOND YEAR

ARNOLD PREHEIM AWARDED INDIVIDUAL PRIZE

Before a crowd of 1,000 at Central High Stadium a week ago, the youth of the Department of Agriculture brought home the honors once again, the team winning the cup in the AAU-Govt. track meet for the second consecutive year. Stars of the day were Arnold Preheim, who took four first places; Thomas McNally, who took three first places; Dr. Ben Chitwood, who took a pair of blue ribbons and gold medals; and Catherine Shea, who took second place in the 220-yard dash, to be beaten by Helen Stephens, Olympic Champion. Agriculture had a total of 89-1/2 points, more than the combined total of all its opponents. Federal Bureau of Investigation came in second with 30 points.

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Agriculture Winners:

120 yd. high hurdles - Hicks third.  
120 yd. dash - Won by Thomas McNally,  
(10.8 seconds); Preheim third.  
Mile run - Won by Dr. Ben Chitwood  
(4:49 $\frac{1}{2}$ ); Gale third.  
440 yd. dash - No places.  
220 yd. low hurdles - Norton second.  
220 yd. dash - won by McNally (24 flat);  
Costello second; Bradley third.  
5000 meters run - Won by Chitwood  
(17:42-3/5); Coven second; Quinn  
third.  
880 yd. run - Won by Joe Gael (2:12-3/5);  
Griggs third.  
Shot put - Won by Preheim (43 ft 6 in.,  
new record; former record held by  
Preheim); Galinis second, Bragg  
third.  
Pole vault - Arnott tie for third.  
Broad jump - Won by McNally (21 ft.  
9-3/4 in.); Beers third.  
High jump - Preheim third.  
Javelin throw - Won by Preheim (167 ft.  
4-1/2 in.)  
Discus throw - Won by Preheim; Bragg  
second.  
440 yd. relay - Won by Agriculture  
(Bradley, Hicks, Preheim, McNally)  
48.2 seconds.  
880 yd. relay - Won by Agriculture  
(Costello, Bradley, Preheim,  
McNally), 1:41-2/5  
Agriculture set new records in the  
last two events. It broke its own  
records.  
Girls' Events: 100 yd dash - Jane  
Joubert second, Catherine Shea  
third; baseball throw for distance -  
Jane Joubert third.

EXCURSION TO NEW YORK AND  
NEWARK

Tickets for a special trip to New York and Newark, leaving September 25 at 5:20 p.m., will be available from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Baltimore and Ohio RR ticket office, the Woodward Bldg., 15th and H Streets, N.W., on Thursday, September 24.

Passengers will have the privilege of returning on any train within ten days, motor coaches picking them up from four stations in Brooklyn and Manhattan. The round trip sells for \$7.50.

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STENO SPEED CLASS A SUCCESS

Some forty or fifty students in last year's shorthand speed class were given Civil Service status for the position of court stenographer, grade CAF-5, the Exchange is advised by the Graduate School. A number of them are already reported as having had appointments. The course was given under the instruction of Miss Clara Richter.

One class has already been started, but if enough applications are received, the school will hold a special entrance examination of 100 words a minute. Students to qualify for the Civil Service test of 140 words a minute must be able to take 150 words for the school.

For further information, call or write the Graduate School, branch 317, room 4090 South Building.



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\*\*\*We asked for suggestions for improv-  
ing this paper. We received none, but  
cannot believe the Exchange cannot  
stand improvement.\*\*\*Still we call at-  
tention to the ninth line at the head  
of this column.

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GRADUATE SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

PHYSIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY--(year).

Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning  
October 13. Register in Room 4090  
South Building. Instructor: H. C.  
Calvery. The course will be conducted  
from 8 to 9 a.m. (Hour to be arranged  
if morning hour is not satisfactory.)  
Fee. \$12.00.

First Semester--Lectures will deal  
with the chemistry of the proteins,  
fats, and carbohydrates; general chem-  
ical composition of animal tissues,  
e.g. muscle, nerve, milk, and blood;  
a brief discussion of the enzymes of  
the gastro-intestinal tract; the diges-  
tion and absorption of the principal  
foodstuffs. Prerequisite - organic  
chemistry.

Second Semester-- Continuation of  
the first semester course will include  
discussions of the metabolism of the  
proteins, fats, and carbohydrates, as  
well as mineral metabolism; the chemi-  
cal constituents of the urine; a gen-  
eral discussion of the chemistry and  
physiology of the vitamins and hor-  
mones.

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\*\*\*All matter for Mrs. Elsie E. Romero,  
ARA treasurer, should be sent to the  
Secretary, J. H. Lyman, AAA, room 0727,  
while Mrs. Romero is out of the city.

DRAMATIC DIVISION ENTERS  
TOURNAMENT

"Gilt-Edged", a comedy, will be  
presented by the Dramatic Division of  
the Musical and Theatrical Guild in  
the District of Columbia One-Act Play  
Tournament to be given in October at  
the Roosevelt Auditorium, 13th and  
Allison Streets, N.W. The tournament,  
held under the auspices of the Com-  
munity Center Department, is open to  
any adult dramatic club in Washington  
and vicinity. Not more than twenty  
plays are accepted.

The preliminary contest will be held  
from October 13 to 22, inclusive. The  
winning play will be repeated October  
24. Four prizes are awarded in the  
finals. The Maud Howell Smith medal  
will be given for the finest individual  
performance in the preliminary tourna-  
ment.

The play will be directed by Kenneth  
Gapen, a real leader who has had wide  
and varied experience in the Dramatic  
and Radio fields. An excellent cast  
has been chosen and is already hard at  
work. Watch for further developments.

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Iowa - Iowa City, Oct. 4-11  
Mich. - Menominee, Oct. 1-4  
N. Y. - Albany, Sept. 22-26  
- New York City, Sept. 24-25  
N. C. - Raleigh, weekend  
Ohio - Cincinnati, Sept. 25-26  
Local - Between Dept. & Hyattsville

TRANSPORTATION OFFERED:

Ga. - Atlanta, Sept. 30  
Ill. - Chicago, Sept. 26  
Kan. - Topeka, Oct. 17-24  
Mo. - Kansas City, Oct. 17-24  
- St. Louis, Oct. 17-24  
Ohio - Columbus, Sept. 25  
Tenn. - Memphis, Sept. 30  
Wisc. - Milwaukee, Sept. 26

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## DEPARTMENT SAILORS EXTEND INVITATION

The Saturday Afternoon Beach and Recreation Club invites all members of the ARA in the Department to avail themselves of the use of a fast and comfortable sailboat at its disposal. Leigh Hibbard, BPI, the skipper, will take those interested for a trial spin any afternoon within the next week or ten days. There will be a meeting on Thursday, September 24, in room 0712 to discuss plans. All employees unable to attend should communicate with Mr. Hibbard, giving bureau, phone, and room number.

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## AGRICULTURE BOATS ENTERED IN PRESIDENT'S CUP REGATTA

At least two boats owned and operated by Department men will sail in the President's Cup Regatta Sailing Race to be held next Friday, and Saturday morning, September 25 and 26.

The boats are a comet, The Cygnet, owned jointly by Drs. Wm. Diehl, E. B. Lambert, and Harry Humbeld, all from the Bureau of Plant Industry; and a moth, The Ichohu II, a new boat belonging to Mr. Thomas H. Tremearne, of Chemistry and Soils.

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## WANTED: MORE TENORS AND BASSOS!!

MEN: Can you sing, or do you think you can? In any case, the Agriculture Chorus wants you for auditions. Twenty new members have been accepted this year - eighteen women and only two men. Surely there are enough men in the Department who sing to make a better showing than that.

The Chorus at present, with but a few exceptions, is composed entirely of Department of Agriculture employees. The exceptions are either relatives of Department employees, or employees in other Government departments. We do not want to change that picture.

Rehearsals are held each Thursday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock in the Auditorium. If interested, write Robert F. Freund, Director, for an audition, or come to the next rehearsal - Thursday, September 24.

## DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS

1548. Outside Work. - No officer or employe in the Department shall perform or be engaged in any work on his own behalf or for private individuals, firms, companies, organizations, or institutions:

(a) If the outside work will prevent an employe from rendering full time service to the Department.

(b) If the efficiency of the employe may be impaired by the performance of the outside duties, that is, where the outside duties are of such an onerous or fatiguing nature as to injure the health of the employe or to prevent him from doing his best work during official hours.

(c) If the work to be done in a private capacity may be construed by the public to be the official acts of the Department.

(d) If the business connections to be established or property interests to be acquired may result in a conflict between the private interest of the employe and his official duty or tend to bias his judgment.

(e) If the doing of such work may involve the use of information secured as the result of employment in the Department to the detriment of the public service.

(f) If such employment may tend to bring criticism on the Department or cause embarrassment.

(g) If the work relates to a written discussion of policies or official work of the Department except as authorized by these regulations.

(h) If the work involves teaching, or the giving of instruction of any kind to any person or groups of persons with a view to their special preparation for the examinations of the United States Civil Service Commission. The fact that any employe is found so engaged shall be considered sufficient cause for his removal from the service. Employees who contemplate engaging in any form of teaching should indicate their intention by a memorandum sent through the chief of bureau to the Secretary who will secure a ruling from the Civil Service Commission if necessary.



## NATIONAL SYMPHONY ANNOUNCES CALENDAR

The National Symphony Orchestra, under the musical direction of Hans Kindler, will play 71 concerts this season, it announced upon completing the most extensive calendar the Orchestra has had since its inception five years ago. The manager has negotiated to take the Orchestra to 27 cities for a total of 40 engagements, fifteen more than the Symphony played out of town last year. Thus the music of Hans Kindler, and the Orchestra he organized to be truly a National Symphony will be heard for the first time by thousands of music lovers throughout the Eastern section of the country.

The first date on the 1936-37 calendar is for a concert in Constitution Hall on Oct. 25, with a program in which Dr. Kindler presents Tito Schipa, recently returned from successes in Italy and other European countries, as soloist. That concert will be the first of twelve in the Orchestra's Sunday afternoon series in Constitution Hall. Another series of eight mid-week concerts opens ten days later, November 4, when with a brilliant evening program Dr. Kindler presents Guiomar Novaes, Brazilian pianist, as soloist.

The Orchestra will present one of its most unusual features, the Monte Carlo Ballet Russe, Nov. 11 and Nov. 12. The ballet company will have full symphonic accompaniment for the first time in Washington in two distinct programs. The first will be on the regular mid-week series; the second on November 12, will be an added appearance in which entirely different numbers will be given.

The season in Washington will be the most distinguished in the orchestra's history. In addition to the Ballet Russe there are many special orchestral and guest artist attractions. There will be an all-Beethoven program Dec. 13, with Harold Bauer, pianist, and the combined glee clubs of George Washington University.

The concerts in Constitution Hall are scheduled as follows: Oct. 25, Tito Schipa, tenor; Nov. 1, Special orchestral program; Nov. 11 and 12, Monte Carlo Ballet Russe; Nov. 15, Blanca

Benard, pianist; Nov. 25 and 29, orchestral programs; Dec. 13, all-Beethoven program, with Harold Bauer, pianist; Dec. 16, Lotte Lehmann, soprano; Jan. 3 Myra Hess, pianist; Jan. 10, Roman Totenberg, violinist; Jan. 21, Joseph Szigeti, violinist; Jan. 31, Winifred Cecil, soprano; Feb. 14, Alfredo Casella, conductor-composer, and the Trio Italiano; Feb. 17, orchestral program; Feb. 28, Jacqueline Salomons, violinist; Mar. 14, Bartlett and Robertson, duo-pianists; Mar. 17, George Gershwin, composer, pianist; Mar. 28, Eastern program; Mar. 31, annual request program.

The annual students series begins Jan. 19 in Western High School in Washington and will include three concerts in each of three Washington High schools, and a final festical event in Constitution Hall, Mar. 20.

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## RIDING CLUB NOTES

To accommodate the great number of members, the Riding Club will hold two moonlight rides on Wednesday, September 30 and Thursday, October 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Four Corners, Md., Riding Academy. Bring your friends.

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## EDITING COURSE TO START SEPT. 28

The course in "Editing Manuscripts", sponsored by the Graduate School, will hold its first session on Monday, September 28, and not on the 14th as announced in the Graduate School Catalog. Mr. Vernon E. Bundy will replace Dr. Merrill in assuming the duties of instructor.

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\*\*\*Announcement will be made very soon concerning the sale of a course in Public Speaking and English Writing, to be sponsored in the Department by the Welfare Association. Samples will be on display at various places.